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Firefighters, city settle on 5 percent raise

Short reprieve from negotiations; contract expires in December

Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — After over a year of rocky negotiations, the Albany Firefighters Association and the city recently signed a two-year contract with conditions effective to June 1, 1992. And, because the new contract expires Dec. 31, they'll go back to the bargaining table next October to start all over again. Firefighters will receive a 5 percent salary raise and the city agreed to pick up 2 percent of pension costs formerly paid by employees, bringing the city's pension contribution to the entire 7 percent.

In a four-step plan based on years of service, firefighter salaries range from \$2,869 to \$3,490 per month. Lieutenant salaries range from \$3,664 to \$3,847; Captain from \$4,039 to \$4,241; and Assistant Fire Chief, currently vacant, from \$4,665 to \$5,131. If other unions in the city receive a general wage increase during 1993, fire department employees will get that too, according to the contract.

"There were too many obstacles," Captain Tom Watkins, president of the association, said of the long negotiating period. "For so long the city was unwilling to move and we kept falling further and further behind."

Albany firefighters are among the lowest paid in the Bay Area, according to Watkins. "That's the main hangup. We don't want to be the highest paid. We just want to be comparable to other departments in our area."

City Administrator John Nachbar attributed the "long drawn-out negotiation" in large part to last year's

threat by the state to grab city money to solve its own deficit problems. State shilly-shallying put firefighter-city talks on hold for three months last summer.

"The economic downturn set things back," Nachbar said. "We had to shift gears in the midst of negotiations." The city built an anticipated settlement into last year's budget, according to Nachbar, but the state kept the city on fiscal tenterhooks until September.

In November a city proposal to reduce the number of men per shift from six to five sent firefighters into the street. Handmade signs on busy Buchanan read "City Council Says: Employees and Safety No," and the city backed off.

Fire department personnel is down from a 1991 peak of 23 to 19, including Acting Fire Chief Marc McGinn who took over when former chief Mike Koeppke retired in November. The personnel reduction

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AUSD bond OK'd; El Cerrito voters veto spending

The Albany school bond measure, which faced no organized opposition, easily surpassed the two-thirds majority needed for approval in Tuesday's election. El Cerrito voters, however, held on to their wallets.

Measure A, a \$31.6 million bond measure to improve and refurbish school facilities throughout the city, won by 2,153 votes to 581, or 78.7 percent to 21.2 percent.

The money will go for meeting health, safety and seismic standards, rehabilitating buildings and constructing new classrooms and school

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New name for BART path

New signs, new trees accompany change

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The Santa Fe Greenway has a new name. The BART bike/pedestrian path will now be called the Ohlone Greenway.

Both designations were chosen to reflect the history of the area. Last May, the path was named the "Santa Fe Greenway" to reflect the fact that the linear park was created from the former Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad right-of-way.

The designation of the path as a greenway reflects a nationwide concept — the development of green corridors for non-motorized transportation created from old railroad right-of-ways.

Volunteers hoped the whole region would adopt the name but encountered opposition in Albany and Berkeley to the reference to the Santa Fe Railroad. A search for a new

name led volunteers, headed by El Cerrito tree specialist Steve Price, to settle on the name "Ohlone Greenway," in honor of the native Americans who first settled in the area.

Several groups have endorsed the name, including Berkeley's Parks and Recreation Commission, as well as the Sierra Club and Modern Transit Society.

In addition, a descendant of the Ohlone people expressed his support of the use of his family's tribal name.

Andrew Galvan, a resident of Mission San Jose, shared some information on the Ohlone people, whose ancestral lands comprise the San Francisco Bay region.

The Ohlone, according to Galvan, were hunter-gatherers with efficient technologies and societal institutions that helped them

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Del Norte Place residents leaving their cars behind

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — A representative of the John Stewart company, one of the partners in the IBEX corporation, told El Cerrito City Council members Monday that residents of Del Norte Place are active BART users. The commute patterns of the tenants of the complex are a critical element of both Del Norte Place and developments proposed for the BART stations and the old Mayfair site. In a staff report to the city, Patrick

O'Keeffe and Gerry Raycraft of the Redevelopment Agency said that the agency's support of similar proposed projects presupposes a high level of BART patronage.

Project Manager David Holden said his company has rented in excess of 100 units at Del Norte Place, or about 75 percent.

About half the households are rented by single persons, he said, with about 17 percent occupied by families with children.

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Frustrated thieves mangle bicycles

Locks on these bicycles at an Albany High School bike rack may have foiled thieves, but they did not save the bikes from vandalism. Albany police reported 100 bike thefts in the city during 1992, with 78 "located and impounded." The rate of theft is slightly higher this year so far, say police. No figures on vandalized bikes are available.

Dave Greer

El Cerrito focuses on environmental aspects of water supply plan

LaForce talks against state dam culture'

Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The El Cerrito City Council has reviewed various alternatives to an EBMUD water supply management program and chosen one that Councilmember Norman LaForce says will best protect the environment, protect ratepayer and spur further conservation efforts. EBMUD has estimated it needs an additional 30 million gallons per

day of water flow to meet growth projections in the district to the year 2020. This represents an increase of about 15 percent over its existing supply to customers.

City Engineer Todd Teachout submitted the staff report concerning the six composite program alternatives suggested by EBMUD to address the projected needs. The first, he said, would be the most strict, including severe rationing, penalties, and intense reclamation and education efforts.

The other five alternatives include a variety of rationing methods that might be implemented under drought conditions, as well as continuing education efforts

during non-drought periods. They are the use of Central Valley groundwater (Alternative 2), the use of Delta flows, the use of Central Valley groundwater and American River flows (4), increased storage capacity of the Pardee Reservoir, and the use of groundwater only.

The district settled in on alternatives 2 and 4 as the most effective solutions and asked the City Council for input.

According to Teachout's staff report, the largest component in Alternative 2 consists of the development and utilization of groundwater aquifers in San Joaquin County near Lodi. An aquifer, he later said, functions

something like a sponge; an underground water table, it would be squeezed out for use in dry years, then then filled up again in wet years from Mokelumne river flows.

Alternative 4 is similar in that the aquifer would be developed. In addition, a 19-mile pipeline would be built from a Folsom South Canal connection in Sacramento County to the existing Mokelumne aqueduct northeast of Stockton.

Both alternatives set the rationing levels at 25 percent and incorporate a plan for use restrictions as a result of the drought. Both also include drought management programs that would encourage conservation by various groups: residential customers (shorter showers, mulching plants, dye tests for running toilets), large water users and the district (an aggressive leak detection and repair program,

turning off all ornamental fountains, installation of flow restrictors on hoses and faucets), and business and industrial users (installation of recycling systems for chilling and cooling towers, washing windows only when dirty, assigning water usage monitors).

Such activities, said Teachout, would be seen as "essentially a tool

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Work on new sewer line scheduled

Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — Construction will begin this month on a new sanitary sewer line through Albany, El Cerrito, Berkeley and Richmond. The \$12 million dollar project, funded by the East Bay Municipal Utility District, is designed to lessen sewage overflow into East Bay from drains and into San Francisco Bay during wet weather.

Laying the two miles of pipe, ranging in size from 30 to 60 inches, will be completed by December 1994, EBMUD estimates.

A new 24-million gallon per day capacity pumping station at Page Avenue and Second Street in Berkeley.

"There will be no direct cost to the cities," said Albany public works technician Jason Baker. "Inspection services will be billed to the contractor, the Schimmick Company."

The project will be financed mainly by state loan funds and the wet weather facilities fee paid by property owners in the wastewater service area.

After running north from the pumping station to the Berkeley

city limits, the pipeline will follow the Frontage Road in Albany to Buchanan Street, on Cleveland Avenue to the north city limits and along Cerrito Creek between Pierce Street and Cleveland.

In Richmond and El Cerrito, the pipeline will be located on Jacuzzi Street between the city limits and Central Avenue and on Central between Jacuzzi and Rydin Road.

Work will be done during regular daylight work hours and impacts on residents and businesses from traffic, noise and dust during construction will be mitigated, according to EBMUD.

Race day

Albany Chamber of Commerce President Dierdre Wallace and Golden Gate Fields group sales representative Laura Dove hold one of the 150 posters around town reminding Albany residents of Albany Day at the Races this Saturday, March 6. Free admission packages are available to residents at the Chamber of Commerce office, 1108 Solano Ave.



Earthly bug activities directed by Zodiac?

THE CHANCE THAT INDIVIDUAL human lives are in any degree influenced by whirling planets, say, are about the same as the chance that a person would be watching teevee and all the air molecules suddenly gather on the other side of the room causing him to suffocate in the middle of "Murphy Brown."

Astrology and other mental figments were, no doubt, thought up to lay the appearance of purpose on life. Nowadays we hear a lot about "random acts of violence, random shootings" and people demanding a reason, saying, "Why me?" Odd that you never hear them say "Why me?" when, as the bumperstrip says, "random acts of kindness and beauty" happen. Whatever, life's after all a crapshoot.

AS A PERSON WHO DELIGHTS in coincidence and chance, I'm befuddled when the molecules of my life seem to gather in a bunch. For example, take the word "wintertur." One morning I woke up never having heard of the word and before the day was over I'd seen it in the paper, read it in Time magazine, heard it at the library and Tom Brokaw said it at 5:45.

"Wintertur?" for goodness sake, what does it all mean?

The word of the week was "bugs."

THE ALBANY FIRE DEPARTMENT, in a continuing effort to keep us seismically and otherwise safe as houses, will come over and for free, which you can't say about most city services, and strap down your water heater in case of earthquake. Another earthquake.

Emerging from my basement, they said, "Oh, oh. You have termites." Though my life percept is "Out of sight, out of mind," I eventually called a pest expert who said, not only have termites built a tunnel up the side of my water heater, I also have powderpost beetles. He also said, \$4,000 or \$7,000 depending.

Turns out the 1959 issues of Variety lying around down there waiting to be read in some nebulous future are "like pastry to termites," according to the expert, so there was nothing for it but — oh, no, clean out the basement.

ON A RAINY DAY A MERRY band of five



By Phyllis Lyon

youths backed a truck up on the lawn, making an irreparable rut in my neighbor's yard, and cheerfully hauled away the detritus and possibly even the valuables, who knows, of 37 years, just like that. Who would have guessed I had the so-called transaxle from a 1963 VW bug "down there"? Not me.

So here we are, the termites down there minus dessert and me up here meditating on who will collapse first, me or this old house.

DOWN AT CITY HALL, when the table was laden with cakes and candies of farewell to Edie Rapella, I ran into Larry Garcia, chief among Albany's park sprucer-uppers. Turns out he had known the library's famous benefactor, Edith Stone, well and told me a nightmare bug story.

One day the elderly Mrs. Stone called him over to her house on Pomona, Garcia said, where he found her covered with bugs. Seems they had come out into the room through the electric plug while she was sleeping and crawled all over everything. Hmm, maybe it would be better if you dropped by the corporation yard so Larry himself can tell you exactly what happened then.

CAPPING OFF BUG WEEK was the news from Down Under that a plague of grasshoppers joined Elton John in concert, flew into his mouth, hair and clothes and all over his backup singers and the guitars. The performers lasted for about two hours until the stage was such a slippery mess of mashed bugs, they finally had to flee.

The grasshoppers had escaped from dry grass country north of Melbourne, looking for greener pastures.

READERS FLEE ALSO about now. What does it all mean? Is Scorpio on the cusp of my frazinode? Nope, mere coincidence.

Letters to the Editor

Berkeley-think invades Albany

Editor:
The Albany City Council labored long to bring forth a truncated curfew ordinance that applies only to children under 14.

A classic example of compromise the ordinance pleases nobody. The best the council itself could say about it was that while it probably won't do much good, it probably wouldn't do much harm either.

Police Chief Larry Murdo wanted an ordinance that applied to people under 18. But Councilman Mike Brodsky, who appears more concerned with what he considers civil rights than with the protection of the citizens of Albany, campaigned hard against it.

Much was heard about how the ordinance would protect youths out running the streets at night, which is a good idea. But oddly enough, no one spoke about protecting the community from them. I guess that just isn't politically correct.

Several times thieves have gone down our street at night taking all sorts of small items from cars which would have no attraction for an adult criminal. And just who do you think smears the town with graffiti, and when do you think they do it?

More disturbing than the mangling of the chief's ordinance, was the kind of Berkeley-think that now predominates in our council. Not one member defended the Albany police from the old, disproved charges of racism that were repeatedly thrown at it by a handful of people well known for such location.

Surprisingly enough, both Councilman Robert Good and Councilwoman Thelma Rubin, who should know better by now, thought it might be necessary to take additional steps to control racism

in our police department.
Mayor Bill Cain seemed too busy presiding in his genial manner to take much stock of this liberal glossolalia. And Councilwoman Elizabeth Baker maintained her usual sphinx-like silence. At least they both voted for what was left of the ordinance.

Jennifer Adams doubtless spoke for many Albanians when she expressed confusion as to whether this was the Albany City Council or "an ACLU meeting held in the People's Republic of Berkeley."

People who want the police department's first priority to remain the protection of the people of this city would do well to keep a careful eye on a council which seems to have other preoccupations and priorities.

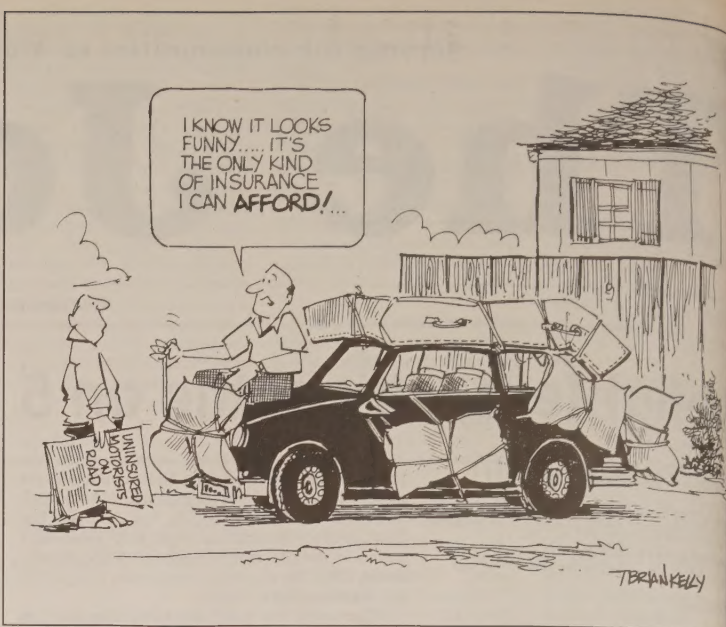
Dave Greer

Enough redevelopment

Editor:
I am convinced that redevelopment should be discontinued in El Cerrito, because of the danger that it can and might bankrupt this city. I refer you to the highly critical 1991 Grand Jury report on Redevelopment. The amendment to the plan now being considered by the City Council should not be adopted. Absolutely no more money should be borrowed to support redevelopment.

I believe the City Council and administrators think this city's residents are much wealthier than we are. Their flawed survey of 1991 did not include the median household income in this town, which is a very important item. The percentile rankings that were reported could give the impression that we are a fairly affluent community, but the 1990 U. S. Census figures destroy that impression clearly. It shows El Cerrito's median household income to be \$39,538, which means

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Police Reports

Nighttime armed robbery reported in local park

By Dawn Frasier

ALBANY — Two Albany residents (a juvenile and his mother) said they were walking on the pathway between the Veterans Memorial Building and the tennis courts at about 10:30 p.m. on Feb. 21 when they were approached by two male suspects with guns. The victims were robbed of cash and clothing; the suspects departed on foot.

The suspects were described as black male adults, about 18 to 20 years old, about six-foot-two. The men were wearing beanies.

An Albany man reported he was kidnapped at gunpoint by two black male adults while walking to his vehicle in the 1100 block of Garfield. The victim said he was driven to Oakland, then Richmond where he was released. A woman drove the suspect car, which was described as a dark blue 1990s model.

A 13-year-old girl was hit by a Richmond driver on the Marin extension east of Jackson Street on Feb. 24; she was transported to Children's Hospital.

Two Oakland men were contacted for suspicious circumstances in the 900 block of Nielson Street on the afternoon of Feb. 24. One was arrested on a no-bail California Department of Corrections warrant. The other was held until sober.

Someone broke into the yard and office at Lumber Baron between Feb. 21 and 25; cash was taken from the office.

Windows of heavy equipment were smashed in the yard at Craig Construction; the incident was reported on the afternoon of Feb. 25.

A briefcase was reported stolen from the Cape Cod restaurant by a patron dining there between 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Feb. 23.

Three bicycles were reported stolen: a 21-speed mountain bike from the 400 block of Evelyn between Feb. 18 and 22, a BMX boy's bike from a porch in the 700 block of Masonic Avenue on the afternoon of Feb. 25, and a BMX bike from the Albany Bowl in the early evening on Feb. 27.

A Richmond man was arrested after being involved in a fight at San Pablo Avenue and Marin on the afternoon of Feb. 28; he had an outstanding \$500 warrant from the Martinez PD.

An Albany man was arrested after a fight on March 1 at 12:17 a.m. on a \$3,000 Alameda County Sheriff's Office warrant.

A driver stopped for a vehicle code violation Feb. 25 was arrested on a \$1,600 warrant from the Solano County Sheriff's Office.

A Richmond woman was arrested in the 800 block of Pierce Street for driving a car that had been reported lost or stolen. The steering column of the car had been stripped; a search of the car revealed rock cocaine.

Vehicle windows were reported smashed Feb. 26 or 27. One incident occurred in the 1500 block of Elm Street. A vehicle was scratched by a vandal in the 400 block of Talbot Avenue on Feb. 23.

A 1984 Dodge Caravan was stolen from the Albany Bowl lot on the afternoon of Feb. 24. Auto glass was found at the scene.

Three Oakland adults were

arrested in connection with a burglary at the Albany Bowl lot in-dash stereo was reported from a car whose window had broken; the three allegedly went to burglarize other vehicles after first.

A number of property items from vehicles were reported. Sunglasses were taken (and recovered) from a car which been forced open in the 700 block Spokane Avenue. The thief tempted to pry the ignition coil the incident was reported on Feb. 25.

On the afternoon of Feb. 25, change, glasses, binoculars and key were reported stolen from a car parked in the 1000 block of Elm. Someone attempted entry in a car parked in the 900 block of Route Boulevard that night.

A car was ransacked in the block of Marin during the night Feb. 26; a stereo and miscellaneous items were taken.

The next night, two tires were taken from a vehicle in the 900 block of Ramona.

That same night, change and briefcase were taken from a car in the 1100 block of Cornell, a stereo from the 700 block of Elm.

Non-injury traffic collisions were reported at Solano and Albany (a San Leandro and a San Francisco resident), at Carmel and Washington (two Albany drivers), and at San Pablo and Solano (a Berkeley and an Albany resident).

Recycling buckets were reported stolen in the 600 block Adams Street and the 800 block Stannage.

In the first case, it was the second such theft in two weeks.

Prowler suspect apprehended near Manor Circle

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — A residential prowler was seen in the 1700 block of Elm Street at about 4:35 p.m. on Feb. 22. The suspect reportedly entered the courtyard area of an apartment building, climbed a wooden fence railing onto the victim's rear porch and fled when confronted by the victim.

A Richmond man was arrested in connection with that and several other incidents which occurred during the next few minutes in the 1700 block of Manor Circle.

He is accused of vigorously attempting to pull the handle of a double garage door, evidently in an attempt to enter the residence, and of briefly entering and prowling around the yard of another residence.

In a third instance, the man was accused of entering a closed shed, removing items but leaving the property behind when officers arrived in the area.

At another home, the man was reported to have turned a knob and pounded on a garage door in an evident attempt to gain entry.

Two Richmond men were arrested in a vehicle in the 6400 block of Hagen Boulevard on the afternoon of Feb. 11 for investigation of possession of a vehicle reported stolen and for possession of crack pipes.

Two juveniles were arrested on campus at Portola Junior High

Jan. 26 for possession of marijuana.

A Richmond man was arrested for possession of a loaded handgun on San Pablo Avenue at Conlon Avenue at 2:49 a.m. on Feb. 14.

Two vehicles were reported stolen between Feb. 9 and 11: a 1978 Chevrolet Monte Carlo from the 1300 block of Gayle Court (recovered) and a 1986 Ford pickup from Madera Drive and Arlington Boulevard.

A Richmond man was arrested for driving under the influence after a hit-and-run incident at San Pablo and Knott avenues.

A car was burglarized in the 5400 block of Barrett Avenue; the burglar pried the driver's and passenger door locks, as well as the trunk. The incident occurred during the night of Feb. 11; a cellular phone was taken.

In the same block, the same night, entry was made into one vehicle parked at a residence (nothing taken); a coat was taken from a second vehicle.

That night in the 5300 block Rosalind Avenue, one car was entered (nothing stolen), an in-stereo was taken from a second car.

There was an attempted theft from an apartment complex in the 6600 block of Schmidt Lane about 1:45 a.m. on Feb. 13.

Acts of vandalism were reported in the 7400 block of Seaview and the 2500 block of Tamara Avenue.

In the first case, the suspect was over the victim's side yard, breaking a wire fence. In the second, vehicle window was broken; break was consistent with a BB pellet gunshot.

Two Richmond women were arrested for shoplifting at Foodbowl; a Berkeley juvenile, an Albany juvenile, an Oakland and a woman were arrested at Emporium.

Non-injury traffic collisions were reported at San Pablo Avenue and Stockton, in the 1700 block Arlington Boulevard, at Easton Boulevard and Potrero Avenue at San Pablo Avenue and Calaveras.

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Getting smart about self-defense

Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — Janice Maupin started out going to the ATM for a little extra cash and ended up taking a self-defense class for women.

It was in the middle of the day that Maupin went to her El Cerrito bank; while she was at the machine, a man backed her up against the ATM and demanded that she give him some money from her car.

"I had just gotten money from the machine; I think he just wanted to get into my car," Maupin said.

The man did, in fact, attempt to enter Maupin's car from the other side but was unsuccessful.

She found the experience a frightening one — one that she wouldn't have anticipated happening in the middle of El Cerrito in the daytime, with other people milling around.

She also found that it changed her life.

"This guy was no bigger than me, but all I could think about was, 'Can I get out of here?'" she remembers. "It scared me, and I got used to being scared."

So Maupin decided she and her daughter should do something about it.

They decided to take a course in self-defense at the El Cerrito Community Center; she was impressed with the skills she learned from martial artist Henry Adams and continued to study with him.

After studying for a year, Adams suggested that she teach a class of her own, pointing to the advantage of a class in defense for women taught by a woman.

Maupin now offers a course for

'Women can learn to be effective'

JANICE MAUPIN



women and girls age 13 and up "who are ready for a proven, no-nonsense approach to self-defense and personal protection for themselves and their loved ones."

Women have a special need for such training, Maupin believes.

"One thing that's really surprised me is how practical all this stuff is," she said.

"As little kids, we didn't learn to fight the way boys did. There are simple little things we can do to defend ourselves that we just don't know how to do.

"You don't even have to be in good shape," she said.

"Even 65-year-olds can learn something from the course."

Maupin's goal is to teach the class in a safe, mutually supportive environment and to instill a sense of confidence and personal empowerment for women who participate.

The techniques are based on the martial art of "firedancing," which has incorporated many other arts, including Jujitsu, Aikido, Karate, Kungfu, and freestyle dance techniques.

"Women can learn to be effective against a larger and stronger opponent using the elements of surprise and speed," she says, adding that many practical techniques will teach participants to evade and disarm their attackers.

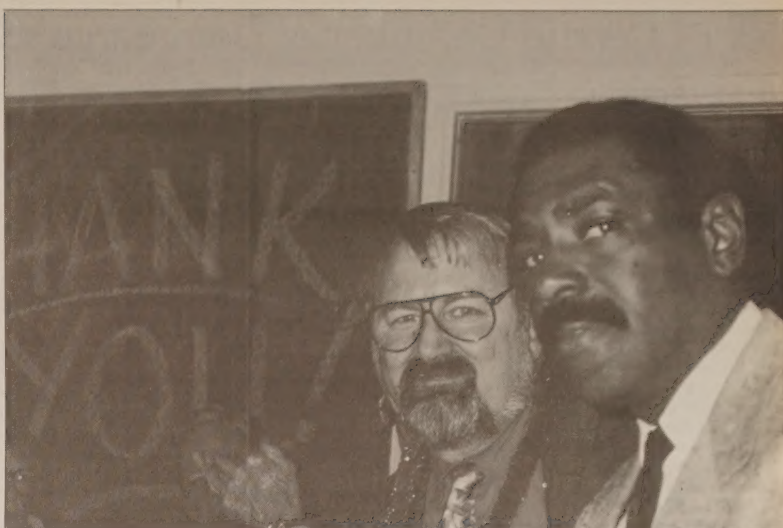
The class is an on-going one offered Monday evenings through the El Cerrito Community Center at 7007 Mooser Lane, 215-4370.

It's taught by Janice Maupin and Teresa Head.

The first class is free for those who want to try it out before signing up. Contact Maupin at 524-6739 for more information.

"A lot of people won't take a class like this until something bad happens," Maupin says.

"I want them to do it now, before something happens."



Albany Mayor Bill Cain and Keith Carson took part in the Senior Center bash

Phyllis Lyon

Senior Center celebrates volunteers

Local dignitaries gather to honor nearly 100 helpers

By Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — Nearly 100 of the people who give their time to the Albany Senior Center gathered last Sunday for a Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, sponsored by Center Director Jean Allen.

"Volunteers provide over 19,000 hours of services to senior programs every year," Allen said, in praising the guests. "You are an essential part of what makes the center work. It couldn't be done without you. I can't begin to say thank you enough."

Allen introduced guests Councilmember Robert Good and his wife, Ann, Councilmember Mike Brodsky and Mayor Bill Cain, who commended the volunteers for their valuable contribution to the city. County Supervisor Keith Carson spoke of the importance of volunteerism in these difficult times

and pledged the county's full cooperation in furthering the effort.

Following the lunch of Polynesian turkey with condiments, the volunteers were entertained by Shirley Harvey and the Aloha Singers.

Services provided the senior center by the 120 volunteers in-

clude receptionist, information and referral, driving the senior van, delivering home meals, friendly visits, serving the evening meal at the center, teaching exercise and other classes, tax preparation assistance, health insurance counseling, blood pressure screening, edit a newsletter and much more, according to Allen.

Newsline

AAUW meets

"A Visit to Beauty: 'Hot Spots' for Wildflowers" will be the topic of an illustrated talk by Bob Case, well known in botanical circles for his magnificent wild flower photography, at the March 13 meeting of the Richmond-El Cerrito Branch of the American Association of University Women to be held at the Mira Vista Church, 7075 Cutting Blvd., El Cerrito.

The meeting will begin with a brunch at 10 a.m. (\$5 per person), followed by the illustrated talk by Bob Case at 11 a.m.

For brunch reservation, call

Dorothy Ruthnick, 232-3656 by March 4.

The meeting is open to interested members of the public.

Case will feature wild flowers of the Bay Area and describe when and where they can be seen.

Cornell Book Fair

Cornell Elementary School PTA is sponsoring a children's book fair featuring quality books from The Book Lady, Saturday, March 6, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Cornell School Library, 920 Talbot St., Albany.

The public is invited.

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El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce

Anniversary celebration marks 10 years

By Del Wisenor

The El Cerrito Chamber enjoyed a delightful combined 10th anniversary celebration and mixer at Ball Chiropractic Center hosted by Drs. Joe and Carol Ball. Those in attendance enjoyed great food, fellowship and tours of the facility in the Peppertree Plaza, with thanks and congratulations to the Balls.

Ruth Gagnon, board member and Mike Mills, public information officer for the AC Transit District, spoke at the Feb. 22nd monthly business luncheon, showing an informative video on the transportation problems and alternatives for the traffic-choked corridors, including a possible light rail system.

The chamber welcomes new member Raj Patel, new owner at the El Cerrito Plaza Travel agency at 500 El Cerrito Plaza.

With his wife and 2-year-old daughter Raj resides in Sausalito, where they had a computer consulting firm. He was also in the travel agency business in England prior to coming to the United States in 1990.

Chamber clearing house

As part of regulatory reform project, the California Chamber will serve as a clearing house for problems businesses have encountered with regulatory



Above: Marge and Marvin Collins presented a plaque they created for display at the El Cerrito Chamber office. Right: chamber president Michael Klinger, left, and mayor Jane Barke, right, welcome new member firm J.R. Muggs coffee bar in the Del Norte Plaza. Samara Dotson, manager, and Mia McCarter display some of the store's specialties.

excess at all levels.

Examples of what should be sent to Allen Zareberg, Senior Vice President, Legislative Affairs, California Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 1736, Sacramento, 95812-1736, are the growth in the fees that your business has been paying over the last few years to state and local environmental regulatory agencies; duplication and overlap of requirements; permitting difficulties or environmental regulatory requirements that are not cost-effective.

The examples will provide

important support for the legislative advocacy portion of the reform project.

In addition, the Chamber intends to bring problems with state agencies to the attention of the governor and his administration. To help identify problems phone comments to (916) 444-6685, and be as specific as possible. All comments will be confidential.

Comparison of state and federal family leave laws

California Family Rights Act:



- Applies to employers of 50 or more employees
- Up to 16 weeks leave over a 24-month period
- Payment of health care benefits required only if employer does so for other types of leave

- Request for leave may be denied if causing "undue hardship" for the employer
- Leave required for serious health condition of employee's child, parent or spouse, but not employee, him/herself

Federal Family and Medical Leave Act:

- Applies to employers of 50

or more employees

- Up to 12 weeks leave annually
- Employer must continue payment of health benefits
- No provision for "undue hardship" of employer
- Leave required for serious health condition of employee's child, parent or spouse, as well as employee him/herself.

Growing state

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California added more than 600,000 people last year and state is in the midst of large transit construction boom in American history. In Sacramento the building industry is calling for reform of environmental law throughout the state, the question of "property rights" is becoming a dominant issue in local politics.

With tax revenue down, counties and school districts all engaged in a frantic race to obtain money from new developments.

—California Planning Development

Windmill technology goes to Russia

A spokesman for U.S. Windpower, which built many of the Altamont Pass windmills, said the company will supply 5,000 windmills to the Ukraine to help the country end its energy reliance on the Chernobyl nuclear plant.

Hap Ellis, vice president of marketing for U.S. Windpower's parent company, Kenetech, said the transaction will produce 500 megawatts of electricity to serve 400,000 Ukrainian households. He said the windmills will be built on the Crimean Peninsula on the Black Sea, about 500 miles from Chernobyl.

According to Ellis, the venture is the largest ever for U.S. Windpower. Because the Ukraine is experiencing hyper-inflation and unstable currency-exchange rates, Ellis could not give the cost of the project.

But he said that if similar project were constructed in the United

States, it would cost \$500 million.

He said that the deal has taken "the better part of a year to scope out the details and to see if we could deliver competitively priced energy to the Ukraine."

Ellis said that the deal between the former Soviet republic and U.S. Windpower began when Ukraine officials began to explore renew-

able technology to replace the Chernobyl nuclear plant that suffered a meltdown in 1986.

US Windpower provides electricity for Pacific Gas & Electric Co., handles a 50-megawatt wind-power project for the Sacramento Municipal Utility District and has 25-megawatt project for a utility in Holland.

Albany High class reunion scheduled

There will be a reunion of Albany High School graduates for the years 1944 through 1951 on Saturday, Oct. 16, 1993.

The location is the Round Hill Country Club, Alamo.

For information, call Leah Bono Hawkins 283-8773; Norma Nelson Embrie, 933-3635; Walt Olofson, 837-4876. Alternatively, write to: O. Gilbert, P. O. 11192, Berkeley 94701.

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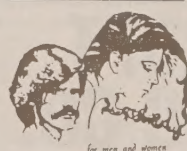
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El Cerrito Newsline

Now is the time to alert city to traffic sign problems

Elleen Duffy

Traffic signs in El Cerrito are important for the safety of drivers and pedestrians. We need your help to ensure that these signs stay in good condition so that they serve their intended purpose.

Damage

This winter has been great for replenishing our supply of water, but it has played havoc with the city's traffic signs. Along with the rains have come strong winds that have damaged or destroyed traffic signs throughout the city. Just recently a STOP sign on Highway 24 Avenue with a loose fastener was reported. This sign hanging upside down. Most drivers will recognize the shape of the STOP sign and will stop, but what if the STOP sign is upside down and not in your usual line of sight? You could miss it and drive right into a busy intersection.

Report all STOP and YIELD signs that are damaged to the city's engineering division at 215-4382. Be sure to note both street names at the intersection. Report damaged or missing "information" signs as well.

Repairing and replacing STOP and YIELD signs are top priorities, but the information signs are just as important. Please report all damaged or missing signs.

Disorder and Theft

Disorder is a growing problem everywhere. We are seeing more and more graffiti on buildings, fences and all over the city. When graffiti is

put on traffic signs, however, it can hide the message and could lead to an accident. When you see a graffiti-covered sign, especially STOP and YIELD signs, call engineering at 215-4382 to report it.

Theft of signs also is on the rise. This is far more serious problem. Besides being illegal, it could lead to serious injuries. When the word STOP is completely covered by graffiti, most drivers still will recognize the shape of the sign and will stop at the intersection before proceeding.

When a STOP sign has been stolen, however, a driver could drive through an intersection right into the path of an oncoming car. It is very important to call the engineering division at 215-4382 to report signs that have been stolen, especially STOP and YIELD signs.

Stealing and decorating walls with the traffic signs has become a fad with many high school and college-aged young people. If you are tempted to steal a sign, don't do it. Signs are costly to replace. The average cost to replace a traffic sign is \$250, a lot of money in these difficult financial times. More importantly, you don't want to cause and feel responsible for someone's injuries or even death from a traffic accident.

If you are a parent, talk with your children about this problem. If a sign suddenly appears on your teen's bedroom wall, find out where it came from and report the sign missing. If you are uncomfortable reporting your teen's transgression, call anonymously. The city's primary interest is in protecting the lives and property of everyone who lives and visits our community.

Call in now.

The City Council recently awarded a contract to repair and replace traffic signs throughout the city. Workers will be here for a limited time only, therefore, now is the time to report all signs that need attention. Again, the number to call to report all damaged or missing traffic signs is 215-4382. We need and appreciate your help.

Employers subsidize commuters with Commuter Checks

The Commuter Check transit program just introduced a new denomination to complement the \$20 voucher available since January 1991.

The Commuter Check makes it easier for Bay Area employers to

encourage employees to use transit. Employers buy vouchers for their employees, who can use them to purchase passes on many Bay Area transit systems.

Already more than 325 Bay Area employers have joined the program and subsidized more than \$1.25

million worth of travel on transit.

The program benefits employers as well. Many are required by local and regional ordinances to promote alternatives to driving alone.

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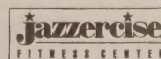
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Scouts report Pinewood Derby results

Pack 82 held its Blue and Gold dinner and fundraiser on Sunday evening, Feb. 7, at Camp Hermes, El Cerrito.

The dinner was followed by the very popular Pinewood Derby Race in which 65 handcrafted model cars were entered.

Medals were awarded for the Best Decorated car; Ben Hoff; Best Paint Job: Ian Bennett-Goldberg; Funniest car: Bryon Bulligan; Most original: Eric Mulligan; Show favorite: Jonathan Finger; (for the second year running).

Cars were raced in Dens, results as follows:

Tiger Cubs, 1st place: Alex Hoff, 2nd place: Will Holt.

Wolves, 1st place: Eric Sylvester, 2nd place: Phillip Gantz, 3rd place: Peter Phillips.

Bears, 1st place: Scott Lyon, 2nd

place: Reid Shannon, 3rd place: Jay James.

Webelos (1st year), 1st place: Andrew Phillips, 2nd place: Jonathan Finger, 3rd place: Aaron Brown.

Webelos (2nd year), 1st place: Ian Bennett-Goldberg, 2nd place: Ian Stumpf, 3rd place: Arthur Ellis. A trophy honoring the fastest

overall car was awarded to Reid Shannon.

Some of the cars will be on display at the Kensington Library during March.

For information on joining the cubscouts please call Andy Ellis 524-4793, or Steve Lazzareschi 525-4719, evenings.

Arbor Day planting on tap tomorrow

EL CERRITO—Tomorrow has been proclaimed Arbor Day in El Cerrito by Mayor Mae Ritz. The city of El Cerrito and the El Cerrito Garden Club will plant a tree to-

gether to commemorate Arbor Day and birthday of Luther Burbank.

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that half of the households in this city have that amount or less of annual income. El Sobrante's median household income is \$39,496, East Richmond Heights is \$40,613, and Kensington, on the other hand is \$61,330. With the deep economic recession present in California since 1990, it is fair to assume that the present median is lower.

El Cerrito is a small community with a significantly large number of senior citizens living on small fixed incomes. I sincerely believe that an accurate and valid survey would show this. Then our city governors might understand that this city simply cannot afford the "Vision 2000" they proclaim.

El Cerrito's employees, especially the top administrators, are paid far too generously for a city of approximately 22,500 people. All salaries and wages should be cut with the largest reductions in the top salaries, and employees should be offered a pay cut before they are arbitrarily terminated. We simply cannot afford the present salary and wage structure, and certainly not the grandiose "Vision 2000" plans.

Redevelopment has drained our community of real estate tax increments for 15 years. I am convinced that much of our present financial situation and problem with deferred maintenance of buildings and infrastructure has been caused by this drain plus all the other costs of redevelopment. These costs include loss of business and sales taxes from the displaced businesses.

El Cerrito's financial situation will not be helped, because the new businesses in the redevelopment area will contribute only 1% of their sales tax to the city. For example, the Target store would have to make \$10 million in sales before the city could collect \$100,000 in taxes.

What El Cerrito will get is much more traffic on our streets, increased criminal activity, which is already evident, large ugly buildings, and a general deterioration of the quality of life in the small town atmosphere we have enjoyed.

I am convinced that redevelopment is a terrible mistake for this city. Let us not compound the error.

Nina S. Pellerin

Supervisors urge tax revolt

Editor:

Are you outraged at the thought of losing your property taxes? The County Board of Supervisors shares your anger and asks you to join with us to vehemently oppose Governor Peter Wilson's drastic proposal to shift \$2.6 billion of local property taxes away from local fire, police protection, and other vital services.

This proposed seizure of \$24 million in local property taxes or about 55% of the funding in our fire districts threatens the very existence of fire and emergency response as we know it today.

As a contingency plan, in the event that citizen outrage does not change Gov. Wilson's mind, a fire benefit assessment has been proposed by the Board. We have public hearings scheduled on the evening of March 9 between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Call 313-1400 for information on the precise schedule for each fire district. The assessment hearing is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on March 16 if there is additional public testimony to be received.

We need your help to fight the governor's rip-off. The proposed assessment will be reduced to the extent our protest is successful in reducing Gov. Wilson's tax raid and to the degree we can identify appropriate cost-saving measures. We have directed the fire chiefs and fire commissions to examine carefully every efficiency measure possible including reduction of administrative and operational costs. This assessment, if necessary, will be used solely in the fire district where raised.

I have proposed that we place the assessment issue squarely before the voters on the June 8 ballot. Tax issues such as this should be voted on. We need a vigorous and open debate on the future of local government and the future of our fire districts. We do not want a new fire tax due to a state steal of our local property tax, but we do need to keep local funding options open as a safety backup in the event of a worst-case scenario.

Should Pete Wilson and the legislature be allowed to put us in this position? We think not. The Board of Supervisors has asked the mayors and city councils of all 18 cities to join with us and urge the governor and members of the Assembly and Senate of the State Legislature to exhaust other methods to balance their deficit.

These tax issues are so basic and so enormous in consequences that a tax revolt is in order. Preserve our local property tax. Tell the governor to keep his hands off our local property tax and find other means of fulfilling the state obligation to fully fund schools.

As part of our fight, the Board of Supervisors is developing a board order and potential ballot measure directing the governor and legislature to leave our property tax alone and directing that our Contra Costa tax auditor and controller simply not cooperate with any local property tax raid or redistribution plan adopted by the state government.

Stay tuned for more information on **TAX REVOLT '93**. And please join us at our public hearing. We want to hear your ideas and concerns and develop with you a strong coalition to battle the governor's tax rip-off. Add your voice to the outcry. Call the governor's office at (916)445-2841.

Tom Torlakson, Chair
Board of Supervisors
Contra Costa County

Wasted money

Editor:

I hope the voters in El Cerrito are enjoying the rich irony or being asked to vote in favor of a substantial increase in their local taxes at a time when the Clinton government is seeking to impose massive new taxes, California's unemployment is the highest in the country, and the state has a deficit in the billions.

The El Cerrito City Council has been busily raising taxes in every way they can. The landscape and lighting assessment, the property transfer tax, and the 8% utility tax are the latest in a long litany. And the only reason they have not taxed the very water we drink is because the water company has refused, so far, to collect it.

But for the unwise Redevelopment Plan that has been pursued with such great zeal by the City Council/Redevelopment Agency, these ballot measures might not be necessary. Once an area is targeted by the Redevelopment Agency, taxes are frozen and money that would normally flow to the city is diverted to redevelopment and is lost to the city. The city claims that offsetting payments are made for the lost revenue,

but that is unlikely. The report of the Project Listen Task Force on Redevelopment of April 6, 1992 said that the property tax diverted from the city's general fund as a result of redevelopment has not been offset by agency payments to the city. It also appears that the city has received little increased sales tax revenue due to redevelopment.

The report further found that neither the Target Store project nor the Del Norte project will provide enough revenue to cover the debt service on the funds invested in them.

Quoting from the same report: "Due to incomplete and inconsistent accounting practices, they (the accounting team) were forced to conclude that the agency's precarious financial situation is only compounded by the unavailability of information crucial to making sound financial decisions."

In addition, the report shows that the city has subsidized redevelopment an average of \$22,000 per year, 1977-1992.

Poor judgment. Bad management. That is why the City Council keeps coming after us for more and more taxes. To cover their mistakes.

Robert W. Schnelker

Thorough accounting

Editor:

El Cerrito should not be wasting the money of the Small Business Administration by requesting a grant from them now when their funds are so badly needed to aid actual profit-making businesses useful to our national economy.

We have 2,518 trees. In our financial straits, these should be sufficient. Others were lost from lack of maintenance. We do not have funds to maintain 2,600 more trees. Taxpayers cannot afford the \$8,500 for City Services for 361 trees to be added each year (Times, 1/21/93) or the \$10,000 in actual expenditures for 400 trees (Journal, 2/11/93), whichever is correct. Our lack of funds for necessities is more important than adding the fire hazard and expense of 361 trees every year. If there is such an excess of Park funds in the budget, they should be switched to Needs.

How much did the people of El Cerrito pay for the Urban Forestry Consultants' Report of 1991 to identify and count our trees? Why was a report needed when the original Tree Planting project lists showed what trees were planted at each residence accepting them? A local employee could have easily counted those still standing. Are residents selecting trees warned that if they conclude their trees are objectionable, they can't remove them since they belong to the city? If you take them, you are stuck with them.

Without waiting for grant approval or citizen approval, the Council again jumped the gun and spent our money to purchase and plant 24 trees along the BART path for demonstration use. Considering the amount of crime already experienced on the BART

path, additional trees should not be planted and will only make it more dangerous for those who use it.

Our council added an assessment of \$72.50 to our property tax bills in 1988 without our consent, promising it would end in four years, which it did not. After our April, 1982 payment, did it end? No, it was extended for what they said would be one year, but should end after April 1993 payment. Will the Council want to raise this assessment when we raise it...and raise it...ad infinitum. For what?

Originally the assessment was to be for Police Protection, Parks and Lighting. Once in effect, said they'd learned it could not legally be used for Police and Fire Protection and was only for Parks and Lighting. (This, when we pay a city attorney for their advice on legalities before the fact.)

An 8 percent tax was assessed in November on our telephone bills and about a year ago on PG&E bills. A property transfer tax charging \$1,000 of each home's value when sold has also been assessed. All three were assessed without our consent.

Our City Council has forgotten that they are not employees. They were not elected to waste our money and demand more of it to suit their purposes. They are a small group of cohorts. Purchases, consultations, other extravaganzas not desired by the citizens as their famous Retreat, are paid for before they are even consulted. The council is supposed to take care of necessary essentials and spend prudently. Advocating new trees each year with money that could be used for other things is only one way they are not doing their jobs. When our population has gone down, do we need more employees than formerly?

It is time the City Council became accountable to taxpayers. The taxpayers have never received accounting from any Council. Budgets are not accounting. They are a plan and can be changed at any time from line to line. The tables and figures in the Project Listen Phase II book were just a plan which did not give us a true picture of costs.

Taxpayers are entitled to a true and honest accounting of every cent taken in or spent by the City annually or oftener, perhaps published in the paper semi-annually. Its format should be simple for everyone down through those in Junior High School (our future citizens) to understand. It should be listed in exact amounts, not in round figures. Funds received and their source during the year should be accounted for, and their total, the amounts spent during the period and to whom, itemized, and the amount on hand at the end of the period carried into the next time period in each fiscal year which is set aside for maintenance in future years. There would be no jokers in the room.

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'Wee Pals' creator practices what he preaches

Julie Freestone

When an Oakland-based Jewish organization put 300 people on the phone last weekend during a fundraising telethon, there was a familiar face in the crowd. Nationally syndicated cartoonist Morrie Turner, creator of "Wee Pals," used his talented hands, however, for something other than punching out numbers on the telephone during Jewish Federation of the Greater East Bay fundraiser. While the volunteers toiled during the federation's annual Sunday event, making an estimated 10,000 calls to raise money for over 40 East Bay Jewish educational, social service and religious organizations, Turner, an Oakland native, circulated among them, drawing cartoons of the children and adults.

"I like the involvement. I like to donate my art as a different way of doing things. I found that by donating my time and talents, people really appreciate it," Turner says, adding he gets a lot of pleasure out of the process.

Turner, an African-American

who attended high school in Oakland before graduating from Berkeley High, says he got involved in the Federation's activities when a good friend asked if he'd help out.

Although he acknowledges with a laugh that his analogy may be a bit inappropriate for a Jewish function he says he is delighted about people's reaction to being drawn by him, "It's almost like Christmas."

His participation in Super Sunday came one day after the National Cartoonist Society awarded Turner their Brotherhood Award and at the end of a month when he appeared frequently in schools, including in Oakland, to celebrate Black History Month and share his message of tolerance and cultural sensitivity.

That message is something that pervades Turner's whole approach to his cartoon strip, which includes a rainbow of characters from Jews, Vietnamese, African Americans, Mexican Americans and even a wheelchair bound youngster.

Over the years, Turner has added new characters, especially when he observed negative reactions to new waves of immigrants arriving in

the country. In fact, he has a new character in the wings whom he has tried to introduce a few times. Reza, a Middle Eastern child, appeared in the strip around Christmas, exchanging gifts with Jerry, the Jewish child.

"It just laid there. People didn't get the message," he laughs, adding he wanted readers of the strip to begin realizing that kind of sharing could and should happen.

Turner is quick to point out he didn't draw caricatures during Sunday's appearance because they often upset people who are their subjects. It was a lesson he learned when he and a group of other cartoonists went to Vietnam in 1969 to entertain the troops.

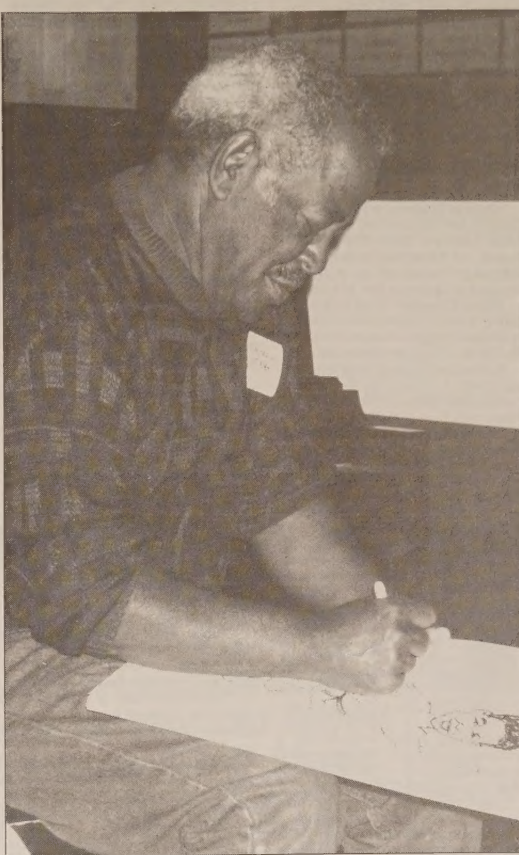
"I discovered people don't like exaggerated cartoons, so I make them more life-like. I make it funny by the action of the body. It's never insulting," he explains.

It was during another military stint that Turner decided he would pursue a career in cartooning. During World War II, he began publishing cartoons in service publications and was convinced he could be a success in that field.

"I had no idea how difficult it really was," he says. To support himself, Turner went to work as a police clerk for the city of Oakland, freelancing as a cartoonist on the side. Although he tried his hand as a police artist, he quickly found he wasn't cut out for the job.

"I did some sketching. I'd do a pencil drawing. The person would say it looked like the suspect, then the artist in me would refine the drawing until it no longer looked like the suspect. It didn't work out," he says.

But the freelancing did. By 1964, he had so much work he decided to take the plunge and quit the police department job. The following year, Wee Pals was appearing in five major newspapers. By 1968, after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., the strip achieved nation-



Prize-winning cartoonist Morrie Turner shares his art at fundraising events

wide acceptance and now appears in over 100 newspapers.

Turner is emphatic that the kids in his strip will never get older. "What they say as children is funny. If they said it as adults, it would be harsh."

Beside the strip and appearing at fundraisers, Turner has also done

pamphlets about drugs and child safety for the Oakland police department and is working on a book for Marin County about the fair housing laws.

"I like to entertain and inform at the same time," he says, adding he has no plans to retire. "I'm having so much fun."

Brutality experts call LA beating 'extraordinary'

On March 3, the first anniversary of the Rodney King beating, an unprecedented book on the history of police brutality arrived at bookstores. The timely King case is a thread running through the new book, which begins with the shocking acquittal of the officers accused of beating him.

"Above the Law: Police and the Excessive Use of Force," was written by two professors, but their expertise comes from the streets as well as from academia.

Jerome Skolnick, a UC-Berkeley professor of law and society, said he and co-author James Fyfe, of Temple University, have spent a combined 60 years riding in police cars, observing officers at work.

"I've been on about a half dozen or so high-speed chases, and you see a lot of stuff. But we've never seen anything like the beating of Rodney King," said Skolnick, one of the nation's top law enforcement experts and a passenger for 35 years in police cars around the world.

"This was street justice, and very nearly a lynching," said Skolnick. "The beating shocked the nation and destroyed the 'Dragnet' (just-the-facts) image of the LAPD."

In the book, published by The Free Press, Skolnick and Fyfe, a former New York City policeman, use the King incident and others like it to show the nature of police violence and the extent of its presence in America today. They also describe police culture, including codes of silence and loyalty, as well as the "war model" of policing that encourages police violence of the kind that victimized Rodney King.

"When any soldiers go to war," the authors write, "they must have enemies. When cops go to war against crime, their enemies are found in inner cities and among our minority populations. There, in a country as foreign to most officers as Vietnam was to GIs, cops have trouble distinguishing the good guys from the bad."

The authors share their first-hand experience watching police on the job. Like King, they write, most fleeing motorists are young men with bad driving records who are under the influence of drugs or alcohol. After the chase, they often challenge their pursuers.

Skolnick and Fyfe also describe the boredom of police work, even in high-crime urban areas, comparing a high-speed chase with "a jolt not unlike that experienced by the dozing fisherman who finds suddenly that he has a big and dangerous fish on the other end of his line."

Skolnick, a consultant to the City of Oakland on community-oriented policing, said that while he's seen police "push around, manhandle and not treat gently" fleeing motorists, what happened to Rodney King was extraordinary.

"We believe that if the jury had been comprised of cops from outside of LA," said Skolnick, "they would have convicted the LAPD officers."

The conviction didn't happen, he said, in part because of the white, suburban jurors from conservative Simi Valley, but also because of a shrewd defense and inadequacies on the part of the prosecution.

Skolnick said the King case "made allegations of police brutality credible, and, now, not everyone who makes an allegation is considered a crank or a nut."

March 5: YPSO Alumni Night Concert

The Winter Concert of the Young People's Symphony Orchestra will produce three members of the orchestra as soloists for the Alumni Night program March 5 at 8 p.m. at First Congregational Church, Dana and Channing, Berkeley. All alumni are urged to attend.

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the Vienna Philharmonic and State Opera orchestras.

Many other alumni have achieved distinction in fields unrelated to music, like Shirley Dean, a member of the Berkeley City Council for the last six years, and also in an earlier term of office.

The soloists are Nicole Joseph-Goteiner of Oakland, who will play the Allegro non troppo from Saint Saens' *Third Concerto for Violin and Orchestra*; Jennifer Hollingsworth of Pleasanton playing the *Fantasy for Flute and Orchestra* by Hue; and violinist Erik Leung of Lafayette who will play the Rondo from Lalo's *Symphonie Espagnole*.

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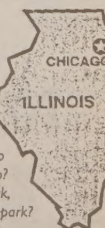
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Berkeley Rep presents Ibsen's "The Lady From the Sea." Preview March 12, 13, and 16 at 8 p.m., March 14 at 7 p.m. Play opens Wednesday, March 17. \$19 (previews)-\$31, 845-4700.

Freight & Salvage tonight, March 4: Dirty Dozen Brass Band; March 5: Laurie Lewis and Grant Street; March 6: Joe Miller; March 7: Canary Fontenot Benefit; Les Blank's "Dry Wood" & "Jalet au Bal"; March 10: Rebel Voices. Doors open 7:30 p.m.; Music 8 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. 1111 Addison St., Berkeley. 548-1761.

MusicSources presents pianist Sharon Mann playing Bach, Chopin and Rachmaninoff on Sunday, March 7 at 5 p.m. First Congregational Church, Dana and Durant, Berkeley. \$15/\$12, 528-1685.

Dunsmuir Piano Quartet performs Schmittke, Beethoven and Brahms on Saturday, March 6, 8 p.m. St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. \$12/\$9/\$6, 865-1736.

University Symphony Orchestra, Chorus and Chamber Chorus get together for an anniversary gala concert, Saturday March 6, 8 p.m. at Hertz Hall. \$6/\$4/\$3, 642-9988.

Benefit Latin American Concert Sunday, March 7 with Jacqueline Rago, Erika Luckett and Claudia Gomez at 7:30 p.m. at La Pena, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 849-2568.

Pianist Seongmin Nam performs Bach, Mozart, Schubert and Chopin for Trinity Chamber Concerts at 8 p.m. March 6. Trinity Chapel, 2320 Dana St., Berkeley. For reservations call 549-3864.

Berkeley Ballet Theater showcases works by Sally Streets and others Friday and Saturday, March 12-13 at 8 p.m. \$12/\$10 at Julia Morgan Center for the Arts, 2640 College Ave., Berkeley. 84-JULIA.

Rodgers & Hart A La Carte, a musical production directed by J. Kawarsky, will be presented at First Unitarian Church, One Lawson Road, Kensington, March 12-13. Reserve seats now by calling 525-6785.

Cal Performances welcomes Emma Kirby, soprano, and Anthony Rooley, lute, March 7 at 3 p.m. at Hertz Hall, \$20. Maxim Vengerov, violin, performs at First Congregational Church on Tuesday, March 9 at 8 p.m. \$18, 642-9988 or fax 643-6707.

Hertz Hall Wednesday Noon concerts March 10: Cary Koh, violin; James Kwak, cello; Leslie Sprout, piano, play Schubert. UC-Berkeley.

Harpa International, a Canadian trio, will perform on a variety of harps on Friday, March 12 at 8 p.m. at New Pieces Gallery, 1597 Solano Ave., Berkeley. 527-6779.

Tea Spot Cafe March 11, 8 p.m.: Anna-Lisa Smoker, Cathie Cashman, Jo D'Ana. 2072 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 848-7376.

Ashkenaz for tonight, March 4: Amanda Poets, 9 p.m., \$5; March 5: Pele Jui, 9:30 p.m., \$8-\$12; March 6: Celia Malhares, Qxmar, 9:30 p.m., \$8; March 7: Motor Dude Zydeco, 8 p.m. (three sets), \$5; March 9: Balkan folkdance with Bob Shapiro, 8 p.m. lesson, 9:30 record party, \$4; March 10: Kevin Wimmer, 9 p.m., dance lesson at 8 p.m., \$5. 1317 San Pablo, Berkeley. 525-5054.

Dark political comedy, "Crimes in Hot Countries," plays weekends through March 27 at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 7 p.m. Sundays. \$10/\$8, 549-0753.

University Dance Theatre's spring concert season — honoring the post-spring semester retirement of Professor David Wood — opens Thursday, March 4, with alternating programs through March 13. Call 642-8276 for information.

Young People's Symphony Orchestra performs for alumni night on Friday, March 5 at 8 p.m. 843-3053.

Starry Plough, 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, March 4: Urban Myth, The Orzo Brothers; March 5: Lawsuit, Rattled Roosters; March 6: The Loud Family, The Buckets, Chris Chandler; March 7: Horton Heard. Irish dance lessons and music Mondays beginning at 7 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays: darts at 8 p.m.

Julia Morgan Center for the Arts presents Human Nature performing "Queen Salmon" March 4-6 at 8 p.m.;

March 7 (Sunday) at 3 p.m. at Julia Morgan Theatre, 2640 College Ave., Berkeley. \$12/\$10\$8, 84-JULIA.

Subterranean Shakespeare performs Hamlet at La Val's Subterranean Cabaret, 1834 Euclid, Berkeley. Thursday through Sundays through March 27. Cabaret opens at 6:30 p.m. for dinner seating, performance at 7 p.m. Sunday shows at 1 p.m. \$8/\$6, 540-7743.

Meetings, Classes, Lectures and other events

"Days of Waiting," a film by Steven Okazaki, will be screened at Berkeley Public Library's South Branch, 1901 Russell, on Friday, March 5 at 7 p.m. Filmmaker Okazaki will be on hand to discuss the 29-minute film. 644-6860.

Archery lessons in the classic Old English style of drawing bow are taught by Michael Lang on weekends in Berkeley. Call 841-7749 for information.

Purim Carnival and Megillah reading March 7, 11:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Temple Beth Hillel, 801 Park Central (at Hilltop exit), Free. 223-2560.

Society for Technical Communication meets Wednesday, March 10 starting at 6 p.m. at Yenching Mandarin Cuisine, 2107 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. Topic: "The Winning Entries in the 1992 Northern California Technical Publications and Arts Competition." 975-0876.

International House observes Women's History Month with a performance by the Dance Brigade on Saturday, March 6, 7:30 p.m. On Wednesday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m. I-House presents "African Garments: Significance and Symbolism." Free. 642-9460.

Yogaerobics master class taught by Laura Sachs, will be held Saturday, March 6, 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Herobics, 9951 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito. \$7, 524-8416.

Gathering Tribes hosts classes in beadwork Wednesday, 7-9 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to noon. \$15, 1309 Solano Ave., Albany. 528-9038.

City Commons Club Friday luncheon speaker, March 5, is Charles Hughes on "Russian Business Developments." Reserve at 848-3533.

Rotary-Chabot Planetarium programs Friday and Saturday nights, 4917 Mountain Blvd., Oakland. 530-3480.

Self-defense classes will be held Tuesdays through March from 8 to 9:30 p.m. at the Downtown Berkeley YMCA. \$35 members/\$60 others. 848-YMCA.

"Business Expansion in Berkeley" is the League of Women Voters' brown bag lunch topic for Friday, March 7. CEB Building, 2300 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley.

67th Poets' Dinner will be March 13 at Spenger's in Berkeley. Reserve by sending a check for \$14 made out to Poets Dinner to Richard Angilly, 1515 Poplar Ave., Richmond 94805. Choose chicken or snapper. \$14. Mills professor Marilyn Chandler will speak.

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz Memorial Lecture presents Gen. John R. Galvin U.S. Army (Ret.) on "NATO: Why?" on Tuesday, March 9. He will speak on "Architecture for Future Security" on Thursday, March 11. Both lectures 6:30-8:30 p.m., Sibley Auditorium, UC-Berkeley. Free.

Magic Gardens class March 6, 10 a.m.: "Spring-blooming Perennials" with Aerin Moore. \$10. Reserve a place at 644-2351. Sunday, March 7: Special Bonsai demonstration, exhibit and sale presented by the East Bay Bonsai Society. Noon to 3 p.m. 729 Heinz, Berkeley.

Home care skills training — free — March 8, 9, 12, 15, 16 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Center for AIDS Services, 5720 Shattuck Ave., Oakland. Advance registration required. (415) 824-3269.

Successful Aging is the topic of a one-day workshop Saturday, March 6 with Dr. Walter M. Bortz. \$65. UC-Berkeley Extension: 642-4111.

Tamar Raphael speaks on RU-486, sponsored by the Women's Cancer Research Center, on March 10 at 7 p.m. Free. Tonight, March 4: Women's Peace Delegation reports from Israel, Palestine. La Pena, 3105 Shattuck, Berkeley. 849-2568.

Berkeley Hiking Club March 7: Sunol, 8:30 a.m. Rick Vanderlugt (526-3760); mini-hike: Briones Park, 9:30 a.m. Gays Girdler (933-0771).

Nyngma Institute presents "The Six Paramitas: Meditation" on Sunday, March 7, 6-7 p.m. Talk for March 14: "The Six Paramitas: Wisdom," March 21: "The Experience of a Six-month Retreat," March 28: "Mantras," 1815 Highland Place, Berkeley. Free. 843-6812.

Presbyterian Women, St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave.,

Berkeley, meet Thursday, March 11, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. The Rev. Louise Hermanson speaks. Reservations at 527-3052 or 848-1350.

Young People's lecture series at UCB's Earth Sciences Building on Saturday, March 6, 10 a.m.: "Eat, Drink and be Merry: Feeding Strategies of Spineless Critters." 642-1607.

Black Oak Books — tonight March 4: Mark Laidlaw, California; March 5: Judi Bari, Timber Wars and Other Writings; March 7: Ann Hood, Places to Stay the Night; March 10: "The Open Boat: Poems from Asian America," with Garrett Hongo, Vince Gotera, Maxine Hong Kingston, Nellie Wong, All at 7:30 p.m. 1491 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 486-0698.

Californians for Population Stabilization holds its annual dinner Friday, March 5 at the Berkeley Marina Marriott. Former Colorado Gov. Richard Lamm and writer/lecturer Dottie Lamm will speak. For information call 448-1033.

Yaxchilan, an endangered Maya Temple in Mexico, is the topic of a slide show Tuesday, March 9 at 7 p.m. at International Rivers Network, 1847 Berkeley Way, Berkeley. 540-0671, ext. 330.

New Pieces classes: "Funky Folk Art Faces" with Deanna Charlton, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, March 7, \$30; "Quiltmaking for Kids" with Pilar Larrain runs Thursday, March 11 to April 8, 4-5:30 p.m. \$40. 1597 Solano Ave., Berkeley. 527-6779.

Birthways classes 10-11 a.m. March 6, 13, 20, 27: "Nurturing Your Infant/Toddler"; 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. March 6: "Sibling Preparation." 869-2797.

Turning Point Career Center offers "Interview — Being Prepared and Feeling Confident" on Monday, March 8, 8:30-10:30 a.m. \$25/\$30; Lecture/discussion on "The Many Facets of Working in a Non-Profit" on March 9, noon-1 p.m. \$3. University YWCA, 2600 Bancroft, Berkeley. 848-6370.

American Schizophrenia Association — Alliance for the Mentally Ill meets Wednesday, March 10, 7 to 8:45 p.m. at Claremont Branch, Berkeley Library, Ashby and Benueve. Free. 841-8361.

Center for Psychological Studies hosts a lecture by Dr. Fred Ford on "A Functional Family: Family Rules/Family Lifestyles Revisited." March 5 at noon. 1398 Solano Ave., Albany. 524-0291.

Kensington Senior Center winds up Jackie Hetman's slide series on China's ethnic minorities on Thursday, March 11, 11 a.m. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 526-9146. REI hosts Toby McLeod on "The Magic of Utah's Canyonlands" on Thursday, March 11, 7 p.m.; March 18: Greenbelt Alliance presents a multimedia show on "Go Greenbelt!" a 470-mile Bay Area bicycle tour. 1338 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 527-4140.

"An Evening with Robert Fulghum" is scheduled for Friday, March 12, 7 p.m. at Newman Hall, 2700 Dwight Way, Berkeley. Sponsored by Starr King School for the Ministry, 845-6232.

Alta Bates Medical Center: Ongoing older adult services: Blood pressure checks first and third Wednesdays from

1-2:30 p.m.; cholesterol checks, third Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to noon; hearing checks, third Thursdays, 2:15 p.m. to 4 p.m. (Appointments necessary, a fee is charged); Foot and leg circulation screening, second Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m. 204-4475.

UC Botanical Garden, Strawberry Canyon, Berkeley, presents Garden tours Saturdays and Sundays at 1:30 p.m. Dino Days garden tour daily through May 24. 642-3343.

La Leche League groups in South Berkeley meet 10 a.m. March 17, April 21 and May 19 at San Pablo Park Rec Center, 2800 Park St., Berkeley. 849-4572.

Learn to ski with an REI day trip to either Bear Valley, Royal Gorge or Tahoe Donner on March 13. \$50 for REI members, \$60 others; rentals \$40/\$50. Introduction to snow camping, hut skiing and backcountry touring weekend trip is March 13-14. \$110. For information call Polly Bolling at 273-9886.

Skiers meet first and third Tuesdays in Oakland, Berkeley and Albany to socialize, share food and plan; weekend meetings \$10/night at ski lodge near Squaw. For information call Ron, membership chairman, Berkeley Ski Club, at (415) 868-2215.

Afraid of public speaking? Toastmasters can help. Thursday, noon to 1 p.m., 2151 Berkeley Way. 540-2477 or 528-4964.

Berkeley City Club: tours of its landmark building designed by architect Julia Morgan are the fourth Sunday of every month, noon to 4 p.m. \$1.50. 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley. 848-7800.

Exhibits

"Women of the World," a show of oil paintings by Gail Feazell, is at Cafe Ariel, 1600 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, through April 30. 845-4300.

"East Bay Women Artists — Youth to Maturity" features paintings a sculpture by 11 artists through March 28. 2911 Claremont Ave., Berkeley. 849-4967.

Graduate Theological Union shows a selection of recent painting by Hans Burkhardt through April 23. 2400 Ridge Road, Berkeley.

"A Sense of Place: Public Art Projects and Proposals" is at the Richmond Art Center through March 21. Civic Center Plaza, Richmond. 620-6772.

Weir Gallery presents "Spring: Rite and Renewal," paintings, drawings, prints and sculpture by varied artists through April 17. 1605 Solano Ave., Berkeley. 524-8821.

"Native Images in Metal," a one-man show by Elwood Reynolds, is at Gathering Tribes through March 5. 1309 Solano Ave., Albany. 528-9038.

"Munch and His Models," a traveling exhibit and lecture series on Edvard Munch sponsored by the Royal Norwegian Consulate, is at University Art Museum, 2626 Bancroft Way, Berkeley through March 21.

African fertility dolls and AIDS micrographic images by artist Oden Santiago are on display at La Pena through March. 3105 Shattuck Ave., Ber-

keley. 849-2568.

"Richmond USA" is an audiovisual performance on the history of Richmond. Performance at 6 p.m. March 4 and 18. Also, sculptures by John Toki and Archi Held are on display at Richmond Art Center, Civic Center Plaza, 25th and Barrett, Richmond. 620-6772.

Quilts on the theme of Food! will be the challenge exhibit at New Pieces Fabric and Chamber Music opening Friday, March 5, with a reception at 7:30 p.m. Vote for your favorite. 527-6779.

Refractions presents "From the Garden," photographs by Kyo Eshima through March 27. Reception Saturday, March 13, 2-3 p.m. 600 San Pablo Ave., No. 105, Albany. 527-8664.

Bay Area Blitz: Artwork by Guy Colwell, is at Flair Gallery, 2031 Parker St., Berkeley, through March 7. 843-7212.

Judah L. Magnes Museum: "The Museum at Work: Making a Difference at Home and Around the World"; "Continuity — An Enduring Heritage: Recent Gifts and Acquisitions"; "Creation and Celebration: A 30th Anniversary Tribute." An exhibition of three large-scale mixed media works by Diana Schor created especially for this anniversary. Included are "Creation," "Tree of Life" and "Song of David." \$3. Sunday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 2911 Russell St., Berkeley. 549-6950.

University Art Museum: "New Asian Galleries" display the museum's Asian art collection. Gallery talks, Thursday 12:15 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 2 p.m. Free with admission. \$5 general; \$4 seniors and students; free children under age 6. Wednesday through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. 2625 Durant Ave., Berkeley. 642-0808.

Hearst (Lowie) Museum: "Too Good to Be True," through March 28. An exhibition of fakes, forgeries, hoaxes and deceptions that have plagued curators and collectors; "The Choir Invisible: Photographs of Western Cemeteries," through May 2. \$1.50 general; 50 cents senior; 25 cents children. Bancroft Way and College Avenue, Berkeley. 643-7648.

Shoshana Greenberg, Adler Award winner, presents four mixed media pieces and a large installation at the Judah Magnes Museum through May 23.

Support Groups and Self-Help

Alzheimer's Association offers support groups throughout the Bay Area. For information, call (800) 942-1333.

Arts Anonymous, a support group for artists to share emotions and test material, meets Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. at Live Oak Park Recreation Hut, Berryman and Shattuck, Berkeley. 527-1243.

Brookside Hospital hosts the following support groups — Stroke, first Thursday, 7 p.m.; Burn, first Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.; Heart, fourth Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.; Cancer, second and fourth Tuesday, 5:30-7 p.m.; Ostomy, fourth Monday, 7:30 p.m. 2000 Vale Road, San Pablo. Call 235-7006 for more information.

Adult Children of Alcoholic (or Other

Dysfunctional) Families meets on Mondays at 10 a.m. at Northridge Presbyterian Church, Ashbury between Central and Lincoln, El Cerrito. Free.

Type I Insulin Dependent adults, 18-40, are invited to a support group second Saturdays every 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Diabetes Foundation in Walnut Creek. 925-

Alzheimer's Support Group at Doctors Hospital the second Monday of every month at 1 p.m. 2151 Russell St., Berkeley. 549-6950. Asthma Group meets the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m. 741-2442.

Leukemia Society sponsors support groups for leukemia, Hodgkin's lymphoma and multiple myeloma and their families and friends in the first Monday of the month. 543-9821 for more information.

Cancer Support Group for cancer caretakers, long-term survivors and friends; every other Friday, 8:30 a.m. All Souls Episcopal Church, 500 Cedar, Berkeley. 845-9055.

American Schizophrenia Association — Alliance for the Mentally Ill support group meets bi-monthly conference meeting room at Hospital, 2001 Dwight Way, Berkeley. Meetings are free and open to anyone. 8361.

Berkeley Fire Resources — 2907 Claremont Blvd., has a women's support group which meets Wednesdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. 7701.

Overeaters Anonymous meets Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Cerrito United Methodist Church, Stockton. 273-9292.

Overeaters Anonymous meets every Saturday to give those with eating problems. 848 newcomers meet at 8 a.m. Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave. 273-9292/841-8562.

TOPS — Take Off Pounds — meets each Monday morning 8 a.m. at 980 Stannage Ave., Albany. 8372.

Heart Talks are held the second day of each month at 8:30 a.m. Brookside Hospital Auditorium, 2000 Road, San Pablo. 235-7006, ext. 763-4971.

The Referral Source meets Thursday at noon to exchange referrals, networking, and other info. 763-4971.

Secular Organizations for Open Society (S.O.S.) meets Mondays, 8 p.m. Berkeley/Albany Recovery Center, Sixth St., and Tuesdays, 8:30 p.m. at Berkeley Unitarian Church, Center, 1606 Bonita. 814-222.

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Aurela Sequoia, M.S., C.H.T., "strategic clinical hypnotherapy" with particular emphasis on helping people face dental and medical procedures without the fears and stress that might make them put off needed attention.

A strategic clinical hypnotherapist, teacher and speaker, she says she "enables clients to make difficult changes and learn new skills. She helps clients eliminate dental and medical fears, reduce stress, control pain, promote healing, prepare for surgery, eliminate allergies, and change negative habits and compulsive behaviors."

"I was always interested in hypnosis on some level," she explains, and she tells of an interesting phenomenon: while growing up in Northern California, she found that sick animals would come up to her, seeming to ask for help. Sick people, too, would be drawn to

"If I sat on a park bench, people would come sit next to me and start telling me their life stories. I had to figure out what it was all about, what I had to do, both on a psychological level and on a spiritual level."

All of this has led Aurela to years of study in various fields of medicine and treatment. Her educational profile is fascinating. In 1969 she received her certification as a medical assistant from the California College of Medical Affiliates. In 1979 she received her BS in Nutrition at Cornell University and continued on to receive her masters in food science there, in 1984.

In 1984 she was certified as a massage therapist from the Institute for Educational Therapy, and remained with them until 1986 when she finished her training in movement therapy for people with AIDS and ARC.

In 1987 she received Speakers Bureau training from the AIDS Project of the East Bay, and in 1990 she received her

certification as clinical hypnotherapist, again from the Institute for Educational Therapy.

Since 1991 she has been taking courses toward a Ph.D. in clinical psychology at the Rosebridge Graduate School of Integrative Psychology at the John F. Kennedy University.

During all of this time, Sequoia has been teaching in various related fields. Back in 1964 she taught economy cooking classes to mentally handicapped veterans at Fort Miley in San Francisco. She has taught classes in English language and American culture to Chinese immigrants at the Chinatown-North Beach English Language Center in San Francisco.

She spent several years in India, where she developed and taught food and nutrition classes to children and adults in the international township of

Auroville, India.

Back in California, in 1991, she started developing and presenting classes and workshops on self-hypnosis and NLP skills, pain control, healing, study skills and creativity. She has since presented such classes at the Unitarian Church in Kensington and at the El Cerrito Senior Center.

Actually, she tells us, she started college at 16 at San Francisco State, trying a music major, a psych major and then a science major. It didn't take, and she dropped out. She took the medical assistant classes so she could get a job.

After working at that for a while, she went to New York, where she became a medical assistant at the St. Moritz Hotel "where I saw the weirdest things!" Because many of the people spoke German, "I had to learn to say, 'breath in' and

'breath out' in German. That's all. Just those two phrases."

She lasted just three months there, and left to go to India, to the international town of Auroville. Made up of people from all over the world, and the largest planned project in the world, Auroville was endorsed by UNESCO.

Her experience there, teaching food and nutrition classes, made her feel a need for more training in that field, thus her return to U.S. and her work at Cornell.

She speaks, also, of the necessity for jobs, of working as a secretary at UC-Berkeley, which finally led to better things. She worked there for 10 years, until she was in an automobile accident.

Everything changed. Her long interest in hypnotherapy now became paramount, and in addition to the classes she had been taking, she took classes in

Community Folk

By Clara-Rae Genser



training with a clinical hypnotherapist, which led her to her present work.

She speaks of the conscious and the unconscious mind. Your unconscious mind tries to protect you, she says, and it is necessary to "negotiate" with the unconscious mind. She says she respects the individual and each person's limits, and tries to keep them feeling safe, encouraging them to make changes when they are feeling safe, and not before. "I never try to push anyone," she says.

Aurela Sequoia (a name she made up and adopted) has developed classes in self-

hypnosis skills, pain control, self-healing, preparation for surgery, eliminating dental phobias, study skills, stress skills, "Happiness is an Option," obsessions and compulsions, stopping smoking, and so forth. She offers these classes as well as individual therapy.

Thank you, Sondra Beale, for suggesting Aurela Sequoia to me. What an interesting woman. And I invite all of you to give me your ideas: interesting people, events, organizations, travel, etc. Please write to me at 555 Pierce St., No. 443, Albany 94706 or call 525-4585.

Study cites cost of ectopic pregnancies

Ectopic pregnancies cost Americans nearly \$1.1 billion in 1990, and more of the costs are being paid by government-funded health care programs, according to a study by University of California at San Francisco researchers.

Eugene Washington, UCSF associate professor and chief author of the study, said in the February issue of the Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology that the condition cost \$838 million in medical treatment and \$250 million in lost productivity.

Ectopic pregnancies occur when a fertilized egg develops outside the uterus, as when they develop in the Fallopian tubes. According to the latest data, about 88,400 women suffered from these dangerous pregnancies and 34 percent of them died as a result.

"The disease kills some of these women, robs others of their reproductive rights and leads to a tremendous amount of physical and psychological suffering," said Washington in a written statement.

"In addition, it places a substantial economic burden on society."

The researchers found that the medical costs borne by government-funded programs rose from 19 percent to 25 percent, while the share paid by private insurers dropped from 43 percent to 36 percent.

Washington attributed the rise in ectopic pregnancies in part to the growing incidence of the sexually transmitted disease chlamydia.

He also said that a previous ectopic pregnancy, past abdominal surgery and endometriosis, in which the uterine lining tissue is found outside the womb, may contribute to the occurrence of ectopic pregnancy.

"I think the emphasis should be on prevention because chlamydia and pelvic inflammatory disease are among the diseases that we know contribute to ectopic pregnancy," he said.

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Phillips: 'Populist upheaval' brought Clinton to Washington

By Charles Levin

Sometimes it's hard to believe that Kevin Phillips spent so much time in the Republican camp. A former chief political analyst for the 1968 GOP presidential campaign, Phillips skewered the party's economic programs in his 1990 book *The Politics of Rich and Poor: Wealth and the American Electorate in the Reagan Aftermath*. In it he criticized the Republicans for historically favoring the wealthy, and squeezing the middle and under classes.

Still very much a conservative, nonetheless, he's back with a sequel of sorts, *Boiling Point: Democrats, Republicans, and the Decline of Middle-Class Prosperity* (Random House, \$23). With lengthy statistical, cultural and his-

torical analysis, Phillips focuses on the eroding middle class and how their anger unseated George Bush. For a packed house at Black Oak Books and less than 15 minutes after President Clinton's State of the Union address, Phillips said his prediction in *Politics* came true — the '80s capitalist, conservative, go-go era imploded and produced a populist upheaval, swinging political thinking toward the center.

The crowning moment was George Bush's undoing, a result of his own callous indifference to the American middle-class electorate. When Bush lost an Iowa straw poll in 1987 he "was widely quoted as saying that's because his supporters were on the golf course, at air shows and debutante parties," said Phillips. "And this was in Iowa. That was sort of an advance clue

that a certain rapport with the average American was lacking."

Consequently, Phillips points out that Bush slipped from a 90 percent approval in 1991 to 30 percent 15 months later, an average of four points a month. Losing to Clinton, he only got 37.5 percent of the vote, underperforming Herbert Hoover in 1932 by two percentage points. And whereas Hoover carried six states north of the Potomac, Bush carried none.

As Phillips sees it, a frazzled middle class in suburbs across the country — many of whom threw support to the Democrats for the first time in years — was beginning to yell, "I'm mad as hell and not going to take it anymore."

"Not only did people see their incomes eroding in 1990, '91, and '92, but they had the sense that

public services were beginning to (erode) and that was forcing them to spend money for things they could usually get from government," he said.

Health care, auto insurance, college tuition, cable TV and water bills began to soar without regulation. People began to lose their net worth as real estate values dropped. Homeless shelters began appearing in the suburbs, and the country club set began to organize job-hunting programs to assist unemployed members.

Middle-class jobs began to dry up, pensions began to disappear, families needed two breadwinners just to make ends meet and work hours increased while vacation times began shortening.

Along with income declines, Phillips posits that all these things

fueled the populist revolt in 1992 — an election year that connected such unlikely bedfellows as David Duke and Harris Wofford.

Duke got 60 percent of the vote in Louisiana despite TV spots showing his Nazi armbands, and Wofford, a former civil rights worker with Martin Luther King Jr., garnered votes from Pennsylvania Duke supporters to win the U.S. Senate race.

The ongoing presidential election saw one populist candidate after the next, all supported by angry suburban voters. First, Pat Buchanan referring to Bush as "King George" and calling for "tea parties" in Kennebunkport, and then Jerry Brown, who Phillips calls "California's own contribution to modern politics — the political equivalent of a drive-by shooting."

Finally, it was Ross Perot, the ultimate populist, "whose leadership by softening the blow to Clinton, who had trailed 10 points before the Texas race."

What this portends for the future is not very comforting. In Phillips' historical perspective, the middle class erosion in the century Edwardian England, the 18th century "Periwig" era, and the results were a mixture of polarization and stagnation. Phillips believes the results were a mixture of polarization and stagnation. Phillips believes the results were a mixture of polarization and stagnation.

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WORD OF MOUTH

By John McNulty

Pitching ace Dave Stewart eats there. Actress Whoopie Goldberg may come in when in town. Signed photos of the famed who have dined there, including musicians, politicians and actors, decorate the walls. Word of Mouth is talking about Soul Brothers Kitchen (5239 Telegraph Ave. at Claremont Ave. and 52nd, Oakland; 655-9367), a 19-year-old taste tradition. The reason is in the cooking. Most customers don't claim roots in the South, but love the southern style cooking. Owner Rip Wilson and son Lamont Wilson usually share the cooking. Every April the senior Mr. Wilson cooks in New Orleans at Chez Helene and the flavors of New Orleans become part of the menu here.

Over at Via Veneto (5356 College Ave., Oakland, between BART and Broadway; 652-8540), the spacious Italian and German restaurant, the lounge is hopping and swaying on Thursdays and Friday evenings. Thursday is jazz night with the widely acclaimed talents of Vince Wallace (sax) and Howard Barkin (guitar). Friday evenings accordion player and singer Carl Leberher plays German music. In German music circles Leberher is a well-known talent.

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WoM called the Oakland City Center branch of Crogan's Seafood House & Bar (6101 La Salle Ave., Montclair district, 339-2098; 500 12th St., Oakland City Center, 464-3698) for an update on their menu. We had missed yesterday's Corned Beef and Cabbage special and wanted "today's" featured item. Well, our choices were many but the Blue Plate Special of Honey Baked Ham served with Potatoes Au Gratin was a winner. Our hostess told us customers had frequently complimented the dish that day. Give Crogan's a call.

Congratulations to Keystone Korner Yoshi's (6030 Claremont Ave., Oakland; 652-9200) and Kimball's East (5800 Shellmound St., Emeryville in Emery Bay Market; 658-2555) on their successful joint tribute to Dizzy Gillespie at Lake Merritt's Scott's Rite Temple. Major and new talents joined for a very special memorial. Just when did the East Bay become Northern California's jazz leader?

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Albany High School names Robert Thomsen 'Student of the Month'

ary Mortimer

Robert Thomsen is one of those quiet students who works speak louder than he does. In fact, he is the scenes in many Albany High projects. We see photos of Albany High students and clubs, sports events, or Students of the Month in the high school and local newspapers or the Albany High School yearbook.

Robert has been at work.

the tall, sandy-haired young man often seen

school with the camera around his neck.

the fact that his father teaches photography

Robert says that he didn't become interested in

until he was a sophomore. One of the faculty

states, "Robert has done all the photography

the yearbook and journalism class (which

the school newspaper) for the past two years."

involvement in service to the school has not

led to photography.

Scout since sixth grade, he has progressed

the ranks and is now writing up his project for

the Scout award, scouting's highest achieve-

ment which he developed an evacuation route for

the school's Earthquake Preparedness plan.

also works for the benefit of other commu-

nities.

in the March of Dimes since sixth grade,

he first participated in the annual fundraiser,

America, he has continued to support and par-

ticipate in various March of Dimes events.

one think that photography, Scouts, and com-

munity service may compensate for lack of academic

achievements, his teachers' comments quickly allay that

conception. They are quick to attest to his achieve-

ments and abilities.

teacher commented on Robert's ability in

technology. "He has a good mind for technical concepts."

Another volunteered, "Robert has been an outstanding student. Last year in U.S. history and this year in government. He is bright, and often scores among the top three students in government. He is conscientious, (has) never missed an assignment or deadline. He is friendly, cordial, polite and respectful."

"Robert can take kidding and enjoys kidding back. Before I knew him he would never really acknowledge me. But now I realize that he was very shy and does not open up until he gets to know you."

Despite his quiet and rather shy demeanor, Robert is active in several sports: wrestling, skiing, mountain biking, and, his very favorite, scuba diving. He won Scholar Athletic Awards for wrestling and football during his sophomore year but had to give up sports for a year and a half after suffering a broken neck.

When asked if his school grades improved when he wasn't playing, his answer was to the contrary — that his grades improve when he is active. He says he enjoys sports as a means of keeping fit rather than for the sake of competition.

Other school activities have included participation in the French Club as a freshman and the Chemistry Club during sophomore year. He is currently active in AFS, which includes past and prospective exchange students.

Their main activity seems to be going to different restaurants to sample international foods.

Attending Scout Camp for three weeks in the Sierras has been a regular summer activity for Robert. This year he will be working in the commissary planning menus, ordering food and distributing it to the patrols for every meal — a challenging responsibility.

Last summer provided a change of scenery for Robert. As an AFS exchange student living with a host family in a suburb of Wellington, New Zealand. For the first five weeks, he commuted two hours each way with his "brother" to a private all-boys school where

they wore full dress uniforms: white shirts, gray slacks, red ties, red vests and blazers. He commented that our Albany High level of education is higher than that of the school he attended.

The next three weeks of his visit were spent with 15 other AFS students at an outdoor camp in the mountains on South Island. Although it was summer in California, it was winter in New Zealand, cold with a lot of rain, but Robert didn't seem to mind. He said they were "cold and wet all the time, but had a lot of fun activities; river rafting, glacier skiing, and hiking over avalanches."

For the final two weeks he returned to his host family who spent their winter vacation taking him on tours and expeditions.

In commenting on New Zealand, he described it as "green rolling countryside with sheep everywhere."

"Wool articles were cheap in Wellington. The capital city is quite small."

"The country has only three TV stations, but a lot of variety, including many American shows of which 'The Simpsons' is the most popular." About food he said, "The fish and chips were great. The best food in the country, and fish and chips shops are everywhere."

Ketchup to go with the fish and chips was not generally available, found only in McDonald's Restaurants, where hamburgers cost about \$5 each.

When queried about other adventures, Robert mentioned that he and his family traveled through Southeast Asia when he was 10, visiting Thailand, Indonesia, India, Malaysia and South Korea, and that he has also traveled in Canada, Mexico, and through various parts of the U.S.

Now back at Albany High for his senior year, he is fulfilling requirements for graduation and applying to top four-year universities, as well as taking two after-



noon classes at College of Alameda.

He has already been accepted at USC, but is waiting to hear from other schools before making a final decision. In college he plans to major in biology or biomedical engineering which he believes will serve as a basis for a career in medicine with a specialty in cardiology.

Good luck, Robert!

The Albany High School "Student of the Month" program is partially supported by McDonald's Restaurant.

Local caller services are available from Pacific Bell

Pacific Bell has some new services aimed at helping customers trying to deal with callers who may, harass or threaten them. Services — Call Trace, Call Forward, Call Screen — debuted in the San Francisco Bay Area, Los Angeles-Orange-Riverside

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Obituary

McSheehy

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By Charles Levin

Are roadside eyesores driving you crazy? Does the landscaping on the nearest freeway entrance ramp need a bit of work?

With funds being made available by the federal government, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the transportation planning and financing agency for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area, can put some of these ideas and others to use.

The Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 set aside funds for transportation "enhancement" programs, so named because they enhance the compatibility of transportation projects with the nearby environment.

According to MTC officials, the Bay Area can expect to capture between \$4 million and \$7 million per year for these uses.

In all, 10 categories are eligible: bicycle and pedestrian facilities; acquisition of scenic or historic sites or easements; scenic or historic highway programs; landscaping and other scenic beautification; historic preservation, rehabilitation

and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures or facilities; preservation of abandoned railway corridors (including conversion for use as bikeways and walkways); control and removal of

Possibilities: bicycle lockers at BART stations, soundwall retrofits on freeways

outdoor advertising, archaeological planning and research; and mitigation of water pollution due to highway runoff.

MTC intends to target local jurisdictions, including cities and counties as well as park districts. Community groups or individuals may contribute ideas but MTC encourages them to work with local governments as umbrellas for their ideas.

Catalina Alvarado, public information officer for MTC, recommends that individuals or community groups pitch their ideas through a government or park district if it will require ongoing management for maintenance in the future.

However, a group or individual may apply directly for the one-time removal of a billboard or other roadside eyesore.

"Some cities are using the money for gateways," said Alvarado. "The money could allow for landscaping that Caltrans doesn't have enough funding for."

Alvarado said other ideas could include bicycle lockers at rail or BART stations and bus depots as well as retrofitting existing sound walls on freeways, designed to suppress noise.

The deadline for the 20-page application is April 1, 1993.

Another disbursement of funds follows with a deadline that will be either late '93 or early '94. After that the funds will be released once every two years over a six year cycle.

For an application, call Mark Miletich with MTC at 464-7814.

Vote

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facilities.

El Cerrito voters said no to all but one of the tax measures on the special ballot.

Measure J, an El Cerrito bond measure to finance the reconstruction of city storm drains, is the only tax measure that passed in yesterday's election. The tally was

3,678 in favor, 1,724 opposed.

El Cerrito voters turned down Measures H, K and L, which would have raised money for fire protection and renovations to city police headquarters.

For Measure H, the fire services tax, the tally was 3,192 (59 percent) for, 2,212 against.

Measure K, the fire station tax which required a two-thirds majority, did receive simple majority approval from 3,189 voters, with 2,198 voting no.

The El Cerrito fire/police tax. Measure L, went down to a similar fate, with 3,091 voting yes, 2,296 voting no.

Del Norte

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The remaining 30-plus percent are rented by couples or roommates.

According to Holden, more than 50 percent of the residents are over 56 years old; about 35 percent are under 35 years of age.

The complex opened for rental in September, a hard time for such activity, Holden said. After the slower winter months, he believes the development will be 100 percent occupied by spring. At this point, the company is happy with the rentals, he said.

According to the company's survey—the first of regularly-planned surveys, about 50 percent of the

residents ride BART to work, and about 71 percent use BART for non-commute purposes.

Perhaps most significant, 40 percent of Del Norte Place's residents don't even own a car; Holden said that some residents realized they wouldn't need their cars after moving in and sold them at that time.

Holden also said that company representatives had another reason for attending the council meeting Monday—their interest in discussion of the city's redevelopment plan amendment.

"We're interested in future redevelopment planning," he said.

"Public participation in our project was vital to its success."

In addition, Holden said, "We're relying on future redevelopment activities."

Holden noted that the development company had made a substantial investment in the project despite the fact that "San Pablo Avenue had deteriorated over the years."

Now he hopes El Cerrito's Redevelopment Agency "will continue to do the good job it has done" in upgrading the area.

"We don't want to be an island," he said.

Ohlone

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develop an unusually complex culture. Their societal organization included a class system and hereditary chiefs.

Men controlled most of the political, religious and economic power, but women were respected and enjoyed a relatively large measure of freedom and independence, Galvan said.

Because spiritual matters were rarely discussed with uninitiated people, Ohlone religious beliefs have been poorly understood, he said.

The Ohlones believed that spiritual power in the universe—embodied in the earth, plants, animals (including people) and celestial objects—could be manipu-

lated through the use of proper symbols and rituals. Priests were trained to mediate with spirit powers, or individuals could interact directly. Rich mythologies told of the interrelationship between creatures and the natural world.

Rites of passage at puberty and death were also an important part of the society's culture.

"My grandmother's generation was the last to live the old way," Galvan said.

"...All her generation are now dead, (but) the values which they observed are still held in high regard by those of us who are citizens of the East Bay."

Thirty signs have been custom-made to mark out the new Ohlone

Greenway; they will be placed at 15 spots along the pathway and will indicate cross streets for pedestrian users.

A double-sided sign will read "Ohlone Greenway at Manila," for example, and will also include an El Cerrito logo. Made of wood, they will match the standard park signs.

The cost of each, said Community Services Manager Joel Witherell, is about \$200, and has been covered by the Caltrans mitigation grant that funded purchase of the 800 greenway trees. The monies were granted as mitigation for the BART garage parking, which was expected to emit more gas fumes into the city.

Water supply

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box they'll use for maximum effectiveness if the 15 percent water rationing isn't doing it."

Teachout added, however, that according to EBMUD's own admissions, conservation education isn't their strong suit in non-crisis periods.

"They're really a water treatment company, not an education company," he said.

As far as the two alternatives were concerned, however, staff recommended Alternative 4, including the American River pipeline, while the council chose to go with Alternative 2.

Staff cited flexibility of the plan, utilization of a moderately high quality water source (the American River), moderate costs, and the advantage should snowpack accumulations in the Mokelumne River not provide sufficient resources as

reasons for supporting the pipeline alternative.

Council members, however, voted unanimously for Alternative 2.

"Our city wants to send a message—'Let's go with the least environmental impacts,'" said Teachout, who wrote the staff report.

Alternative 2 didn't need new facilities except for groundwater storage, making it a more attractive choice, said La Force. Building a pipeline, he said, would have led to two major consequences—major environmental impacts and a large expenditure of funds.

"Building a new dam would mean...destroying habitat, creating a dam culture like what has existed in California in the last 100 years," he said.

La Force also said that he had spoken to EBMUD representatives

and believes that the single pipeline cost figure cited at \$120 million would actually be more like \$250 million with all the attendant costs.

For La Force, building an aqueduct to take water away from the American River is wrong on principle.

"I'm against more plumbing projects in California on principle—certainly in the absence of real conservation efforts to conserve water," he said. For La Force, such a move would spur a higher rate of growth rather than "a reasonable type of growth pattern."

Developers would be inclined to say, "You've got the water, now hook us up," he said.

La Force also cited the environmental affects of taking water from the American River and the lack of controls in doing so as reasons for



Moving on

Albany City Clerk Jacqueline Bucholz (left) bids a fond farewell to 17-year city employee Rapella who left last week to take a job in the city clerk's office in Walnut Creek. Rapella, who recently was secretary in the public works department, served seven years as assistant city clerk in other city departments during her tenure in Albany.

Phillips

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Edwardian and Periwig periods were both notorious for high living—but ordinary families suffered."

It all sounds so familiar. However, the results: a decline in worldwide economic supremacy for both countries.

Within the text, Phillips makes astute cultural observations of the present climate like the proliferation of French restaurants in the 1980s mirroring the same trend in the English and Dutch societies.

Meanwhile, he doesn't wax optimistic about Clinton's abilities to turn all this around. And he's staying equally mum about whether the Democrats have moved back in to the White House for a long spell or not.

"The question is, is it the beginning of the Democratic era or is it

just the end of the Republican coalition, and the new era starting (up) doesn't have the depth or longevity of the previous periods, and we'll just sort of go from presidency to presidency," said Phillips.

Keeping true to his conservative roots, he argues that Democrats have always had trouble with "Ebenezer Scrooge" economics.

"Democrats come in and they want to pass out the money," he said. "Putting it in a kinder way they want programs. They want to help people. But if you put it in a cynical way, they have to be able to spend money."

Also thwarting them is that "the Democrats in Congress have become a group of people who in-

stinctively fight the branch," said Phillips. "This when a Democrat... They did it with Jimmy... They're probably going again now."

"(Is there) the likelihood (they) can replicate the stances in which they held... tional long supremacy... time ago? I doubt it."

But it will be at least before he's making any...

"It's pointless to talk until we see how Clinton... the economy," said Phillips. "The economy is in the toilet... publicans) may be able to... him even if they have left... out there."

Contract

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was achieved by attrition, according to Nachbar, i.e., by not replacing employees who left "on their own."

The city will not hire an outside fire chief "in the foreseeable future," according to Nachbar, but is currently discussing with McGinn "a one-year probationary period with the possibility of being permanent."

The new contract includes a revised education incentive program which raises a fire department employee's salary 3.5 percent for 44 hours off-duty training and 5.5 percent for 88 hours.

By contract, Albany Firefighters Association members get 13 paid holidays, 12 hours per month sick leave, 12 hours per month vacation after the first year to 24 hours after 15 years, an annual clothing allowance of \$450, \$162.65 per month single person health insurance, \$35.70 single person dental insurance and \$30,000 in insurance policies.

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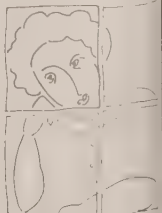
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In the Game



By Peter Mentor

Over the hump

It's going to be a tough Thanksgiving," said St. Mary's coach Restelli Brown, a big man, increasing his face to hide the disappointment that he was in losing a season-ending playoff game.

Brown was responding to a question of his relationship with Michael Lewis, the Berkeley High senior who scored 18 points, including 10-for-12 shooting from the line to help defeat the Panthers in the first round of the North Coast Section Division I playoffs.

Two have known each other for years, but neither one expected an all-out performance from the other. Lewis hit some clutch shots for Berkeley in a game that may be a milestone for the program. It put the Yellowjackets into the second round of the NCS playoffs against Bishop O'Dowd on Friday (7:30 at State Hayward), a place they have not seen in quite some time. It was the wall for Berkeley like other walls, once it came down it opens up possibilities for the future.

"We are over the hump," said Berkeley head coach Jesse Gossett. "We're over this funny hump since I've been in Berkeley of losing in the first round. We had trouble boxing out, we kept fighting. I'm proud of kids."

Gossett, the team and everyone involved with Berkeley's boys' program has felt this invisible barrier holding them back, taking away from the confidence that they could actually advance past the first round and on to becoming a dedicated contender.

Some of it came from Gossett himself. As a three-year assistant, he was not in control of the team's destiny. As a first-year head coach he had to show a strong front with players to provide inspiration. Gossett has a reputation of being his patented full-strength talk. It's the industrial strength, the kind of words that get into the players' heads and a while they start believing what he says.

The talk in the locker room is the coach, he told us to pick up," said Lewis calmly. "It really helped because he showed us that this was a reality for the seniors. This could be our last game. It was very clear."

It was the seniors who did the work for Berkeley, big and small: Lewis dropping 10 free throws; Leonard Canty scoring 14, including eight in the fourth quarter when Lewis was shutout; Jahari Rowe scoring nine points and going up for 10 crucial rebounds; Jahari Tracy scoring five points, while snatching five rebounds and three steals; Dexter Lewis and Traniel Brown, scoring five and six points respectively, each adding a three-point shot to the mix to open the game for Berkeley.

Everyone contributed, which is what Gossett was trying to do all year. That basketball is a team sport and it takes a whole team to win, especially in the playoffs.

So say he is excited about the playoffs would be an understatement. "This is what I've been dreaming about since I took over," said Gossett. "I'm just really thrilled playing O'Dowd." Gossett and Brown were in the boat entering the game, two coaches making their coaching debuts at those games. One of them had to lose the other has the pleasure of winning. I see O'Dowd on TV. Brown wished Gossett good luck before he left, reached out to shake the Lewis' hand and told him the same.

Jackets beat Panthers; O'Dowd is next

By Peter Mentor

Berkeley and St. Mary's played a close two-point game through the first half of their North Coast Section Division I opener, but the Yellowjackets opened it up in the third quarter and went on to win 70-53 at Washington High in Fremont Tuesday night.

The victory put Berkeley (18-7) into the second round against top seed Bishop O'Dowd (22-6) at Cal State Hayward tomorrow night at 7:30. The season-ending loss sent St. Mary's home at 18-11.

The deciding factor was Berkeley's ability to hit from the free throw line and nobody did it better than Yellowjacket senior Michael Lewis, who went 10-for-

12 from the line and led his team with 18 points, all scored in the first three quarters.

"We've been on the line a lot shooting a lot of free throws," said Lewis. "It paid off tonight in the first round."

Lewis was a mild 4-for-17 from the field, exemplifying Berkeley's inability to score from in close, but St. Mary's was having the same problems early in the game.

The halftime score had Berkeley ahead 27-25, but the Yellowjackets made room in the third quarter with an 18-10 offensive run. St. Mary's chopped the lead to 10 when Panther junior Charles Taylor hit a three-pointer and later senior John Page tugged

the lead back to seven when he scored from inside the paint with 40 seconds left, but Berkeley senior Traniel Brown canned a three-pointer from the right side to end the third quarter up 45-35.

Berkeley senior Leonard Canty picked up in the fourth quarter where Lewis left off. Canty scored eight of his 14 points in a four-minute span, three times pushing the lead to 14 for the Yellowjackets. He hit a baseline jumper, scored off a steal and countered a steal and a hoop by Page with a shot from underneath the basket. Later Canty had a shot tipped, but even it went in.

Berkeley senior Jahari Tracy scored at the 3-minute mark while

being fouled and the shot dropped. He scored his free throw and the Yellowjackets finished the quarter with seven more trips to the line, hitting 7 of 10 shots including the front ends of four one-and-ones.

Both teams unloaded their benches near the end and Sean Mays scored Berkeley's final basket at 70-53.

Lewis finished with 18 points, but he also added four rebounds and two steals. Rowe contributed nine points and a team-high 10 rebounds, while Tracy added nine points, five rebounds and three steals.

Page scored a game-high 22 points, hit 5 of 6 from the line and

'We're playing one of the top teams in the East Bay. I am just really thrilled to play O'Dowd.'

—JESSE GOSSETT
BERKELEY HEAD COACH

scored 17 points in the second half alone, but it was little consolation for the departing senior. He is one of six St. Mary's seniors, including the injured Yusef Moore-Mobley who

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Abby Musselwhite goes over Brian Hynes of O'Dowd to try to reach a rebound as O'Dowd's Tony Vello gets it first.

Jeff Lindquist

Albany' varsity baseball: ready to go

By Craig Wiens-Pinley

As an officer for the California Highway Patrol Dave Gaskins has learned a few things.

"Sometimes it's exciting, other times it's routine," he admits. "There's a lot of negative attention, but sometimes people appreciate when you help them and a lot of times when there's an accident, people are relieved to see me."

Gaskins' other job, that of a var-

sity baseball coach, has some similarities. The games can be a joy, but when it's raining nearly everyday during the pre-season, practice can get routine, even downright boring.

As far as the negative attention, Gaskins hopes his Albany High School team has as little of that as possible. And judging from Gaskins' four years as the Albany junior varsity coach, things should be pretty positive. Gaskins, in his

first year as varsity skipper, led his JV squads to two league titles and four league playoff berths.

Albany's varsity went to the East Shore Athletic League playoffs a year ago, losing to Alameda. With a talented junior class and a handful of returning starters back from a year ago, Gaskins' success this year shouldn't be accidental.

"From what little we've done, it looks like a pretty strong team,"

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Berkeley rebuilds its baseball program

By Craig Wiens-Pinley

During the past few years Berkeley's baseball program could most accurately be termed "up and down." The "up" came in 1991, when the Yellowjackets went 9-6 in league play and had six players hit over .300. The "down" came a year later, as Ray Luce was fired and interim coach Tom Fairchild finished up a 10-14 season with a 5-9 BVAL record.

Enter Mike Trainor, a former student at the high school who wanted to rebuild a program and

teach students how to play a boys' games like men. And there's been a lot of teaching, as only eight players bring varsity experience to Berkeley High baseball.

There's another side to coaching high school baseball in Berkeley, tasks like uniform hunting, fundraising, coach recruiting and fall league organizer (with help from assistant Bob Serpa). Thus far, Trainor has enjoyed the challenge.

"It's been great," said Trainor of his first year as varsity coach. "Athletic director Lloyd Higgins and

assistant Gene Nakamura are 100 percent behind me. They're serious about running a serious program. We had just 40 percent of the uniforms from last year, but Coach Fairchild helped get some of them back and I made calls to every kid in the program.

"We're trying to teach good baseball," said Trainor, who most recently coached at Ohlone Community College after a three-year stint at Sonoma State University. "When you're playing (Bay Valley

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Dragons over Panthers in ESAL league finals

By Peter Mentor

Berkeley and St. Mary's don't get a lot of chances to play each other to forge a crosstown basketball rivalry, but the two teams did meet on Tuesday night in the first round of the North Coast Section Division I basketball playoffs at Washington High in Fremont.

St. Mary's finished 18-10 after coming off a 67-40 loss to Bishop O'Dowd in the East Shore Athletic League finals last Saturday, but the Panthers still gained the No. 4 seed and the right to play host in the first round. The Pan-

thers' home gym is too small for a North Coast game, so the St. Mary's had to pick another game site. Berkeley offered its own Donahue Gym, but St. Mary's wasn't keen on that idea.

"They're a good team," said St. Mary's head coach Restelli Brown of Berkeley. "We should be up there with them at the end. They have a different kind of team than Bishop O'Dowd. They're a little bigger than us. I like the matchup, it's O.K."

Berkeley entered the Sunday seedings meeting at 17-7 and re-

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Jacket girls pleased with North Coast play
Astroturf outing a new experience

By Peter Mentor

Berkeley's long-awaited trip to the North Coast Section girls' soccer playoffs ended in a 7-1 first-round loss to Mission San Jose at James Logan High Wednesday.

The Yellowjackets were not disappointed with the defeat, because making it to the NCS playoffs for the first time in over 10 years was a victory unto itself.

"Overall the tone on the bus coming back was up," said Berkeley second-year head coach Ann Kletz. "People were real happy to make North Coast. I thought it was a good start for such a young team."

The Yellowjackets knew they had made it to the post-season more than two weeks ago and they had to wait that long before they could play at North Coast because there are no league playoffs in the Bay Valley Athletic League. Berkeley had to rely on practice and inter-squad scrimmages to stay sharp.

The playoff game was not as one-sided as it sounds from the

score. Mission San Jose had a 2-0 lead in the first half when Berkeley senior stopper Demi Rhine dished a centering pass to freshman forward Willi Sanchez, who trapped it on the fly and fired the ball into the upper corner of the goal, cutting the lead to 2-1.

"Demi was penetrating through, working up the right hand wing," said Kletz. "She centered from the right side. Willi caught it on the bounce and made an excellent shot to the upper right hand corner."

Mission scored once more after that for a 3-1 lead at the half. Berkeley was spurred on in the first half by freshman goalie Nora Convery-Bullock, who stopped a penalty kick with a diving save.

"Nora had a phenomenal game," said Kletz. "She stopped the penalty kick with a phenomenal save, diving to her right. That really boosted the team."

Despite the number of goals allowed, Kletz said her goalie played a great game, because the goals by Mission were top-notch. Convery-

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BHS girls seeded #2

By Peter Mentor

Like Hertz is to Avis, sometimes it's nice to be No. 2 at the start. That's where Berkeley high girls' basketball was beginning this week after the North Coast Section Division I seeding meeting at Dublin High in Pleasanton on Sunday.

Berkeley head coach Gene Nakamura brought the Yellowjackets' 21-5 record in front of the North Coast selection committee and was given the No. 2 seed behind No. 1 Montgomery (27-1).

Some coaches, especially those entering as the three-time defending North Coast champion, would have seen that ranking as a lack of respect. Nakamura saw it as a blessing in disguise for his team.

Montgomery was given the first round as the top team, because there was only seven teams entered. The other six teams had a

first-round game and Berkeley was scheduled to play Santa Rosa (18-11) at home on Wednesday. Nakamura said he preferred playing to resting. That gives his team an extra game in the middle of this week as a "warmup" to the rest of the playoffs instead of waiting until the semifinals Friday. Berkeley has a long break since the last game of the Bay Valley Athletic League against El Cerrito Feb. 23 and the Yellowjackets were anxious to get back on the court.

"Montgomery got the top seed, which is good, because they have a bye and I didn't want that," said Nakamura. "We need to play. Hopefully we can get a warmup under our belt before Monte Vista."

The selection committee picked three top seeds, then matched the other teams up so they would not play teams within the same league. No. 3 Monte Vista of Danville (21-

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Albany plays good game for playoffs

By Peter Mentor

Albany was a surprising entrant in the East Shore Athletic League Power Division playoffs, but the Cougars showed they belong there despite a 46-40 loss to St. Elizabeth in Oakland last Wednesday.

The Cougars used a delay tactic to keep the ball away from the Mustangs and it worked through three quarters. St. Elizabeth had a small 15-11 edge in the first quarter, but managed only five points in the second quarter to lead 20-19 going into the break as Albany frustrated the Mustangs efforts to improve the pace. "Actually we had a chance to win it," said Albany head coach Doug Kagawa. "We had a game plan going in and we stuck to it pretty well. Our game plan was to slow the game down and defensively we added some wrinkles. It gave us a chance to stay with them."

"We limited them to five points in the second quarter and they definitely have some guys who can score. If they don't have the ball they can't score."

St. Elizabeth went on a 14-7 run in the third quarter for a 34-26 lead. The teams played evenly in the fourth quarter, which was to the

Cougars disadvantage since they were behind. Albany pulled within four, but could not get closer.

"It was a cat-and-mouse kind of game," said Kagawa. "The kids gave themselves a chance to win it."

Cougar sophomore Jon Sanger paced the team with 11 points and 11 rebounds, while Dwane Chappelle scored 10 points on 5-for-7 shooting plus six rebounds and three blocks. Robert Grissom led the Mustangs with 15 points, but St. Elizabeth went on to lose to Alameda in the ESAL finals when the Hornets hit nine three-pointers in a 62-53 victory Friday.

Sanger was a unanimous selection as an All-League player and Chappelle received and honorable mention in voting by league coaches.

The Cougars were a young team and should be more competitive in the league next season after finishing 5-10 in league, 7-20 overall this year.

"The guys who ended the game against St. Elizabeth were underclassmen," said Kagawa. "They were playing good sound basketball compared to the beginning of the year."

Berkeley

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Athletic League opponents) DeLa Salle and Antioch, they'll do the little things and we'll lose close games if we don't execute."

A self-professed .250 hitter in high school, Trainor made himself into an All-League player at Laney College, then played at the University of California before beginning his coaching career. The same discipline which got Trainor into Division I playing seems to be rubbing off on Berkeley players during pre-season.

"Mike Trainor seems to be a conscientious guy," added Albany coach Dave Gaskins, who played against Trainor all through their high school years.

"Coach Luce was intense, but Coach Trainor will also keep us fundamentally sound and in control on the field," said Zack Chun, a three-year varsity player. "There won't be a time where we'll be out there just for the heck of it."

Chun, a southpaw, is one of the keys to Trainor's pitching staff, along with varsity returnee Ryan Connors-Conover and junior George Woolley. "I see us having a good pitching staff, but some people, especially Chun, Connors-Conover, and Woolley, all have to have good years for us," Trainor said.

Chun (2-1 as a sophomore) and Connors-Conover (3-0 in 40 innings in '92) are the veterans on the staff, while Woolley may have the team's top arm. Chun and Woolley will split time at first base for Berkeley when they're not on the mound. Jeremy Cooper, Oliver Petit, and Josh Sachs-Weintraub round out the 'Jacket staff, along with Alex Fields, a starting outfield candidate.

The infield has a consistent if not spectacular group of players, with senior shortstop Asa Gifford the leader of the group. "Gifford will make the plays for us and we'll be pretty solid with Reggie Santa Cruz and Andres Cediel (both seniors) at third," said Trainor.

Second base has three candidates for playing time in Robbie Allen (a senior), junior Ben Wells and sophomore Josh Greenblatt, while Josh Flusman may see time behind Gifford at short. The outfield has Fields, power-hitting Chris McElroy and Pete Schriber ready to start the season while senior Sam Farnsworth mends a broken wrist for three more weeks.

Catching has been a strength at Berkeley recently as last year's backstop, Cody McCormick, now plays at the UC-Berkeley. This year juniors Trigg Splenda and Chris Graber are behind the plate, the former an Honorable Mention All-BVAL pick a year ago as a .400-hitting outfielder.

"I think Splenda will have a good year for us," said Trainor. "He's very good offensively and is much-improved defensively from the fall. He's gotta have a good year for us." McElroy, Santa Cruz and Cediel will most likely be Berkeley's designated hitter.

Berkeley's varsity may not be among the pre-season favorites in BVAL baseball, but this group may outsmart many an opponent this spring. Fifteen of the varsity players have grade-point averages of 3.3 (on a 4.0 scale) or above.

Berkeley plays at Alameda High tomorrow in a 3:30 p.m. non-league contest, then plays crosstown host to St. Mary's at 3:45 p.m. next Tuesday.

St. Mary's falls in playoffs

St. Mary's had a rude reception at the North Coast Section boys' soccer playoffs, falling 5-0 to James Logan in Union City last Thursday to end the season.

James Logan scored twice in the first half and went up 3-0 early in the second half. St. Mary's played hard until the end of the game, but with time running down St. Mary's head coach Luis Orellana put in the reserve players and Logan scored two more times for the 5-0 final.

"In these games it's hard to come back," said St. Mary's assistant

coach Eric Ballon. "The defense was too stiff. They scored three goals with a lot of substitutions. I didn't give up at all."

This was the Panthers' first appearance in the NCS playoffs since 1988. St. Mary's was seeded out of 10 teams. St. Mary's finished the season at 13-3-1.

Three Panther players made the All-League list in the East Shore Athletic League, including more midfielders David Adams, Jonevan Hornsby and senior forward Khahlil Kirtman.

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Albany

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said Gaskins, a 1981 graduate of Albany High School. "I'll have a little more team speed than I thought and our defense in the outfield is strong. We should have enough pitching too. I have seven or eight who could pitch for us."

Junior Matt Bartolome, a varsity starter as a sophomore, will definitely play, according to Gaskins. The question is: Where? "Bartolome's got all the tools," said Gaskins. "He's a leader, a gamey player, and a good hitter with foot speed."

Last season, Bartolome was near the league's leader chart in hitting for much of the year as an outfielder. This spring, Bartolome may at third base defensively, filling the shoes of last year's All-League performer Rick Wanlin.

Another junior who saw much action with the varsity in '92 is outfielder Gary Tatmon. Tatmon, a varsity basketball player, should give Gaskins steady defense and a solid bat.

The rest of the outfield slots are open, although junior Dov Sims' lefty bat and freshman Dante Troupe's live arm and a hustling attitude have impressed Gaskins.

Troupe is one of a trio of freshman who may get a varsity baptism of fire this spring. Along with Berlin Germany and Ko Douglas, Troupe may give Albany's pitching staff a hand as well.

Douglas, "a utility man type," according to Gaskins, may end up at second base. So may Berlin Germany, a top-notch athlete who quarterbacked the Cougar JV football team.

Leading the way initially for Albany's staff is Josh Hoffman, the top winner on the JV staff in 1992. Hoffman (nearly a 2.00 E.R.A. on the JV level) was brought up to the varsity late in the season. Frontrunners to join Hoffman in the rotation are senior righty Dylan Martin and closer candidate Mo

Mirzai, perhaps Albany's best arm.

The infield has been Gaskins' biggest question mark in the pre-season, though Albany's problems may be solved in a few weeks.

Junior Jesse Quay recently won a league wrestling title and made the North Coast Section tournament at Sonoma State University last weekend. Quay's success leaves Albany without its starting shortstop, though Douglas and junior Eddie Preisler are trying to plug the hole for now.

Gaskins is looking for first baseman Kevin Patterson and catcher Jaime Steffens to perform well offensively, although Steffens is a converted third baseman from last year's JV team.

Patterson, a senior, gives the Cougars another quality bat from the left side while designated hitter Shaun O'Deady, a senior, provides a solid right-handed stick. O'Deady was among the league hitting leaders in 1992. "He hits the ball a ton," said Gaskins of his DH.

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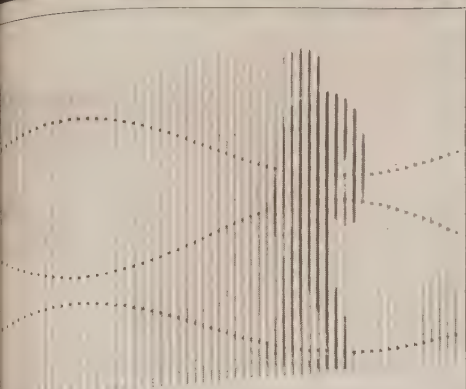
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East Bay Events This Week



Glendon Screen, a room divider of aluminum, rubber and nylon, is one of the furniture designs by Glendon Good being exhibited beginning Saturday at the Art Club. A reception for Good is scheduled from 6 to 8 Saturday evening, followed by Techno-Tribal dance music and Neuro-Visionary Art Projections by Paradise Productions by Allen Rice, till midnight. The Good exhibit, titled 'Abraxis,' will be on display until April 16, by appointment. The Art Club is at 1424 14th Ave., Oakland; phone: 532-1424.

Dance series features Stephen Pelton company, Terry Sendgraff and Friends

The Bay Area Dance Series once again is presenting two programs—two companies—this week. Tonight and Friday at 8 p.m. the Stephen Pelton Dance Company presents three works: *Evening*, inspired by the fever dreams of a friend with AIDS; *Rain*, exploring the and competitiveness that keep men from building community; and premiere of *August*, about how loss can break apart communities. Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., Terry Sendgraff and Friends premiere *Conference*, a dance/theater piece about a naturally diverse group of women who create an artistic round table. The piece features the Women Walking Tall Ensemble stilt-dancing; Kitka, the Eastern European women's chorus; and area artists Kara Floyd, Debbie Fier, Kayla Kirsch, Jacqueline Letalien, Shiko Nakamura, Sharon Page Ritchie, Karolyn van Putten, Nancy Wang and others.

Tickets are \$5 to \$14, available by calling 889-9500 or at the door. Performances are at the Laney College Theatre, 900 Fallon St. (at Ninth St.), Oakland. Tickets are also available at BASS/TM outlets.

Theater openings

'Girl Talk' at Mills College

The Mills College Theatre presents *Girl Talk*, a play by Dori Del and Carolyn Myers that explores the friendships between women. It is presented as a series of scenes throughout the life cycle of a woman, scenes that are by turns humorous and poignant. Directed by Hickman, the play runs Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. the next weekends, with a 2 p.m. matinee Sunday, March 14—all at Lissner on the Mills campus, 5000 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland. Tickets are \$7; call 430-3308 for reservations.

'Noises Off!' spoofs traveling theater

The Cabaret Theatre is presenting Michael Frayn's farce *Noises Off*. The play follows the trials of a traveling troupe trying to present a room farce. Of the play, a *Boston Globe* critic wrote: "There has never been a more frenzied windup in the theater, never." The largely East Bay cast (including Oakland's Rene Pullam andameda's Todd Aragon and Cathy Casey) is directed by Gregerson. Performances are Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., beginning Tuesday and running through April 3, at the Adelphi Club, at the corner of Central Avenue and Walnut Street in Alameda. Tickets are \$6; call 521-9554 for reservations.

Art in chronological order at UC

A series of galleries at UC-Berkeley's Art Museum reopened this week. For the first time, the European and American art collections—painting, sculpture, photography, video, etc.—are installed chronologically in adjacent galleries. The reinstallation is supported in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. The museum stretches between Durant Avenue and Bancroft Way, east of Telegraph Avenue in Berkeley. Museum hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday to Sunday; admission \$3 to \$5 (free on Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon); 643-6494.



Sharon Shepard and Stephen Pelton of the Stephen Pelton Dance Company perform in 'Rain' this week at Laney College Theatre.

More events



Edvard Munch's 'Man and Woman in the Garden' (1912-15)

Looking at Munch through his models

A UAM exhibit focuses on the women painted by Edvard Munch.

By Carol Benet
Bay City News Service

There are many ways to curate an art exhibit. Sometimes chronological ordering is all that is needed. But to group works of a major artist by the different women that he used as models is a brilliant idea.

Painting

That is exactly what the Munch Museum of Oslo has done in assembling 95 paintings, drawings, etchings and lithographs for an exhibit called "Edvard Munch and His Models." The exhibit happens to coincide with the 125th anniversary of Munch's birth and is part of "The Edvard Grieg Jubilee: Norway Celebrates the

Arts." This touring exhibit is making its only U.S. stop at the University Art Museum at UC-Berkeley through March 21.

Munch was both an Expressionist and Symbolist whose most-publicized works were done at the end of the 19th century. His famous painting "The Scream" has become a symbolic representation of angst. Most recently this same anguished face became part of Dan Quayle lore as "The Scream" was reproduced on T-shirts imprinted "President Quayle."

The current exhibit at the UAM concentrates on Munch's lesser-known works dating from 1921 to 1944. Starting with a gorgeous "Big Nude Kneeling" (oil on canvas, 1920), the greens, blues and browns of the Expressionists are turned into the strange flesh tones of the models.

All of Munch's principal models are paraded before us,

from Helga Ragstad to his last, Hanna Brieschke. With each he had a different relationship; with each he seemed to be working out some psychological as well as formal and spatial problem.

Some of his models are seen with their hair cascading over their heads, such as in "Nude Sitting, Face Covered by Her Hair" (brown crayon, 1913), or "Weeping Nude" (oil on canvas, 1913). The latter painting shows one of his favorite models, Ingeborg Kaurin, in one of his favorite poses — a woman suffering, almost prostrate from emotional stress.

Munch has been written about Munch and his problem with women, and many of the canvases here explore this theme. One of his fascinations was a true story from the French Revolution, when Charlotte Corday murdered the bourgeois Jacobin leader Marat in the bathtub.

Munch depicts different se-

quences of the story in both lithography and oil. In one of two companion works of 1930, "Marat and Charlotte Corday I," Corday is seen standing calmly with hands held together as if in prayer.

"In 'Marat in the Tub,' Corday holds exactly the same position yet Marat lies in his bath off to the right. None of Munch's figures is whole: legs are truncated, scenes are suggested and then terminated.

Another series, "On the Veranda Steps II" (1922-24), portrays a dreary world in which colors are dark and depressing and faces, if depicted at all, are grim.

The UAM is at 2625 Durant Ave., Berkeley. It's open Wednesday to Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$3 to \$5 (free from 11 a.m. to noon on Thursday). Call 643-6494 for more information.

Jazz masters gather at benefit for Sun Ra

Sun Ra's disciples and alumni paid him honor and raised some money.

By Myles Boisen

Mention the name Sun Ra to any jazz lover and you're sure to evoke a strongly positive response.

Jazz

This unique artist has been in declining health lately, prompting trumpeter Eddie Gale to gather the local Sun Ra alumni, friends and fans for a two-day benefit concert last weekend at Oakland's Khafre Community Center. All proceeds went directly to Sun Ra, who is currently hospitalized in Birmingham, Ala.

The astounding variety of high-quality creative jazz at the benefit was an inspiring tribute to the beloved pianist-composer-bandleader who is admired throughout the solar system as a pioneer of stratospheric jazz. Here are just some of the highlights.

Eddie Gale opened the show on Saturday, demonstrating the considerable talents he has brought to Sun Ra's music over the years. His flugelhorn had a warm, commanding tone that blended beautifully with Ismael Navarrete's rich tenor



Sun Ra alumnus Eddie Gale was chief promoter of the benefit.

sax. Sun Ra dancer Judith Holton joined in for one number; other musicians sat in as well, with the fiery drumming of E.W. Wainwright bringing the set to a triumphant conclusion.

Following Gale was Living On

the Edge, an aptly named group of six women who explored solemn orchestral textures, straight-ahead blowing, extended virtuoso solos and throbbing grooves.

Violinist India Cooke (another Sun Ra alumna) stole the show, but everyone in the se-

ated humor and dedicated creativity to the afternoon.

Saxophonist Roberto De Haven took me away with his passionate soprano sax outpouring on John Coltrane's "Spiritual." Judging by the excited reaction he got,

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East Bay Events continued



Gary Lapow (see below).

Children's song writer in school benefit

Gary Lapow, a Bay Area composer and performer of songs for children, appears in a benefit this Saturday for the PTA of Berkeley's Leconte School. Lapow has produced five albums of music mainly for kids, and he has been featured on the Disney cable network. His concert this Saturday—intended for the whole family—is at 11 a.m. at the Leconte School auditorium, 2241 Russell St., between Ellsworth and Fulton, in Berkeley. Tickets, available at the door, are \$4 for adults, \$3 for kids. Call 644-0342 for more information.

Black Comedy Competition holds final round Friday at the Paramount

The seventh annual Bay Area Black Comedy Competition has been winnowing the field of contestants all during February. The final round takes place Friday at 8 p.m. at the Paramount Theatre, 2025 Broadway, Oakland.

This is the contest that launched the career of Oakland's Mark Curry, currently starring on the ABC-TV comedy *Hangin' With Mr. Cooper*. Winners get cash awards and the chance to appear on *Showtime at the Apollo*. Audience members get a chance to see comedians on their way up. Tickets are \$25, available at the Paramount Box Office or BASS/TM outlets (762-BASS).

Music

Young People's Symphony Orchestra

The winter concert of the Young People's Symphony Orchestra welcomes back alumni (although not to play) and features three young soloists—Oakland's Nicole Joseph-Goteiner in a movement from Saint-Saëns' Third Violin Concerto; Pleasanton's Jennifer Hollingsworth in Hue's *Fantasy for Flute and Orchestra*; and Lafayette's Erik Leung, violin, in a movement of Lalo's *Symphonie Espagnole*. The concert, which also features Schubert's Symphony No. 8 and Brahms' *Academic Festival Overture*, is 8 p.m. Friday at the First Congregational Church, Dana at Channing, Berkeley. Tickets are \$4 to \$6, available at the door. The musicians are 12 to 21 years old. David Ramadanoff conducts. Call 848-0744 for more information.

'Modern' pianist at MusicSources

Russian-born pianist Nina Postolovskaya, now a Bay Area teacher and recitalist, performs works by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Bartok, Debussy and Liszt this Sunday at 4 p.m. at the Maybeck Recital Hall, 1537 Euclid Ave., Berkeley. Tickets are \$15; phone: 848-3228.

The recital is Sunday at 5 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, Dana at Channing, Berkeley. Tickets are \$12 to \$15; call 528-1685 for reservations. A reception follows the performance.

Children's storytellers at MOCHA

The Museum of Children's Art (MOCHA) continues its series of performances by multicultural storytellers Sunday at 10:30 a.m. This week's performers are Celia Correa and Carlos Ramirez. Admission is \$5 for each child; grownups get in free.

MOCHA also offers classes Tuesday through Saturday in mixed media, sculpture, paper making, fiber art and papier mache. For more information on classes or the storytelling, call 465-8770. MOCHA is at 560 Second St., Oakland (across from Cost Plus, near Jack London Square).

Tracing artistic 'Lineage'

The work of two African-American artists, a father and son, are featured in the exhibit "Lineage" at the Pro Arts Gallery through April 24.

The father is Claude Clark Sr., a painter and educator whose works are in the collections of the Smithsonian, the Library of Congress and the National Gallery in Washington, D.C.

The son is Claude Clark Jr., an East Bay sculptor who carvings draw on his family tradition and West African heritage. The exhibit was curated by Woody Johnson. Hours are noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. It's at 461 Ninth St., Oakland; 763-4361.



The photographs of Jan Wilson Kaufman are displayed at Bucci's, 6121 Hollis St., Emeryville, through March 27, with a reception for the artist Sunday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Life versus art in a fine French film

Tous les Matins' explores how art can transform sorrow.

By Basil De Pinto

The real test of a film is its staying power after the event. I have been haunted by *Tous les Matins du Monde* since seeing it two weeks ago. Its images, both visual and aural, would be a feast in themselves. Even more powerful is its treatment of the age-old conflict of flesh and the spirit, and the irreparable harm that ensues when either one is denied its due.

Conventional box office wisdom would dictate hands off a movie like this, which has two strikes against it: it is a costume drama about classical music. But the 17th century French locale is never a distraction because we are immediately caught up in a powerful human story that transcends time, and because the music is the real clothing of the piece.

There have occasionally been movies in which the music was perfectly integrated into the substance of the plot, but typically it was popular music, speaking the language of the contemporary audience (*Nashville*, *The Commitments*).

The music in this film is the austere beautiful sound of the

viol, a precursor of the modern cello. It is played by two men, master and disciple, who lose everything and gain everything through their music.

Both are historical figures, but the teacher is a mysterious personage whose first name is even unknown, he is only Monsieur de Sainte-Colombe. The death of his wife leaves him so stricken that he cannot even adequately love his two daughters. Music is his only link with life.

A rigid Jansenist, he deprives himself and his family of everything but music, and the two girls become expert players, accompanying their father in rare and memorable concerts.

Sainte-Colombe adheres to the strictest of musical codes, making no concession to less than artistic perfection; he repeatedly refuses to join the king's court orchestra which he sees as (in modern terms) a commercial venture.

Into this emotionally sequestered world comes the 17-year-old Marin Marais, already a virtuoso beyond the capacity of all his previous teachers. Sainte-Colombe reluctantly takes on the new pupil, aware of the young man's talent but equally convinced that he will fall prey to the snares of the court.

The scene is set up for the con-

frontation of two giants. Their lives are bound together emotionally as well as musically; Marais seduces the elder daughter and abandons her. She never gets over losing him, as her father never recovered from her mother's death.

Music is the magic that enmeshes all three as they alternately enliven and destroy one another. All human experience is reduced to pain for them, and only music lifts them beyond it.

Marais as an old man relives the simultaneous joy and sorrow of his union with the Sainte-Colombes; like his teacher he becomes only an instrument that vibrates with the passion of music.

The atmosphere of this picture is an exact reflection of its protagonists; austere, refined and immensely vibrant. Like the sound of the viol, it is slow paced but rich and deeply absorbing.

In Sainte-Colombe it portrays a man willing to suffer the loss of human intimacy and worldly renown in favor of his mastery of music. Marais, a sensualist who becomes rich and famous, seems different but is really the same: he loses love and self respect to become a powerful courtier.

For both men the title of the film encapsulates life: each day dawns but once. (The literal Eng-

lish translation, all the more of the world, really says more idiomatically.) Each irreparable, but new being constantly offer themselves

A wonderful elevation in this movie through the reporting power of music, both Sainte-Colombe and Marais perform to realize how the greatest pain can turn redemptive joy.

The performances are the noble task imposed. Depardieu is seen only as the mature Marais, but he is the voice-over with special close to music itself. In a stroke of casting, Depardieu Guillaume plays the young Marais.

Anne Brochet is lovely affecting as Madeleine, Sainte-Colombe's daughter, betrothed to Marais. Sainte-Colombe is played by the masterful Pierre Marielle in a portrait mixes anguish and rage, ecstasy induced by music.

This sensitive actor is self-indulgent; his honesty is completely believable. All around, a work of depth and range and a masterpiece. *Tous les Matins du Monde* is in French with subtitles; at the Act One

its disappointments—the top-billed musicians appear, and ticket sales lower than expected.

Everyone who did gave their support to the mix of young talent and performers, women and black and white artists, along together with the commitment that is necessary to keep jazz thriving in Oakland.

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Sun Ra

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many in the audience were similarly transported by the energetic free jazz of De Haven, Wainwright and Co.

Young pianist Kito Gamble had a hard act to follow, but she more than held her own in a charged and very adept trio setting.

A rollicking blues jam ended the evening on a high note of relaxed camaraderie, and everyone drifted home in eager anticipation of the coming day's activities.

San Jose's Mr. B Band started Sunday's show with a full nine-piece ensemble sound and a front line of impressive soloists. The group shone on an assortment of hard bop arrangements, and Mr. B added some wild scat singing when he wasn't playing flute or

prowling the stage.

Next, Kamau Seitu and the African Rhythm Ensemble equalled their rootsy mainstream jazz set of the previous day, showcasing the talents who assemble at Khafre for regular Sunday jam sessions.

The Splatter Trio paid tribute to Sun Ra with arrangements of his tunes by guest saxophonist David Slusser; following them was Jazztree with poet-rapper Osiris.

It's interesting to note that these two groups, who performed back-to-back, represent a younger generation raised on Sun Ra, free improvisation, and the pianoless music of Ornette Coleman, the Art Ensemble of Chicago and others.

The evening's high point came

when Eddie Gale was joined again by Ismael Navarrete and master bassist James Lewis. Kamau Seitu provided a vibrant, swinging pulse to an epic set which included pianists Ed Kelly and Will Nichols, the dynamic cellist Kash Killion, violinist Sandi Poindexter and more.

Adventurous, well-constructed solos were the norm, and though there was little in the way of interplanetary havoc being wreaked, no one seemed to mind a bit.

Poet (and KPFA DJ) Avotcha joined in with spoken word and a spontaneous Sun Ra chant that threaded its way through a particularly memorable piece in this memorable collaboration.

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San Francisco, CA 94131
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The following person is doing business as Di-
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Lakes Drive, Richmond, CA 94804
Anthony Lynn McLean, 174 Marine Lakes
Drive, Richmond, CA 94804
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The following persons are doing business as Vin-
tage Expositions, 64 Crest Avenue, Walnut
Creek, CA 94595
John F. Maxwell, 6420 Coby Street, Oakland,
CA 94618
Doris Raymond, 1990 Beach Street #103, San
Francisco, CA 94123
Arthur Fawcett, Jr., 4171 Garden Lane, El So-
brante, CA 94803
Rosemary S. Chambers, 64 Crest Avenue,
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Audra Bovis-Taber, 1326 Lawrence St., El Cer-
rito, CA 94530
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The following person is doing business as Image
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Danville, CA 94526
Linda Hoffman, 32 William Court, Danville, CA
94526
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The following persons are doing business as SONNCO,
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David Bruce Sonner, 1920 Carlson Blvd.,
Richmond, CA 94804-5224
Angela Kay Sonner, 1920 Carlson Blvd.,
Richmond, CA 94804-5224
This business is conducted by individuals.
Husband and Wife.
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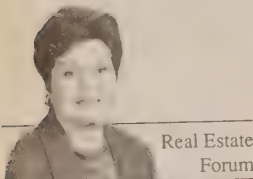
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REAL ESTATE

Refinance now while interest rates low



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HANNAH GOODY

Mortgage rates fell again last week, reaching levels not seen since April, 1973. This is promising to fuel another refinance boom as well as encourage home buyers. Activities at lender's offices have increased with calls from consumers looking for low interest rate loans.

Lenders use the yield on 10-year treasury bonds to determine mortgage rates. The yield has fallen sharply in recent weeks. Bond investors are betting that inflation will remain low and that President Clinton will succeed in cutting the budget deficit, which would further relieve inflationary

Take out cash to pay off loans or make a few home improvements

pressure.

The general rule when refinancing has been that you should refinance if the new rate is at least 2 percent less than your current rate. What is now important is how long will it take before you can recoup the cost of the refinancing.

To determine this, first calculate your monthly savings at the new interest rate. Then, divide the cost of refinancing by the monthly savings. This will show you how many months it will take before you have paid for the refinancing.

You can reduce your refinancing costs by simply taking a slightly higher interest rate. Since the major cost to the borrower is points, most lenders will reduce the points you pay by increasing the interest rate (One point is equal to 1 percent of the loan amount).

Another alternative is to increase the loan amount to cover

your costs. Depending on how long you have had your loan, and how much equity you may have built up in your house, and what the loan to value will be, you may even be able to take cash out to pay off credit cards, consolidate debt, or have money for home improvements.

The pace of refinancings hasn't hit the level of January, 1992 or July through October of 1992.

However, activity is clearly building. Historically, a lot of people wait until they think rates have bottomed, and then the slightest rise pushes buyers and home owners to act, causing a frenzy of activity when the rates are actually slightly higher.

It is difficult to determine when that will happen. A great deal depends on Clinton's economic plan, and the pace of an economic recovery. But clearly, today's rates are the best in 20 years.

Hannah Goody is president of Goody Mortgage and Investments.

How Clinton plan will impact on real estate

By Deborah Ritchey
Special to Hills Newspapers

I've gotten lots of questions about how real estate will be impacted by the tax policies in President Clinton's plan because I've worked closely with policy makers

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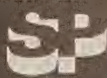
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half of homeowners and housing providers at the state and federal level for private property taxes, housing programs, regulatory, legislative and tax policies.

Some questions

Will there be further caps on mortgage interest deductibility? Will capital gains treatment be altered so I can sell the duplex I bought in 1962 and retire? What happened to the MCC and MRB programs that help first-time homebuyers and low income housing? I'm a widow — will I have to pay my home just to pay estate taxes?

Some answers

After years of cuts to housing programs like FHA, and eroding laws changes that have eroded investment property values, there is hope. There was worry that further cuts would weaken the real estate sector even more, which could hurt the economic recovery.

Here's the news: There will be no changes to the mortgage interest deduction which is currently limited to properties of under \$1 million. However, deductibility is also indirectly limited by caps on total itemized deductions that can be taken by taxpayers with more than \$105,000 adjusted gross income.

Now, you may feel like some, that tax policy should be neutral, neither providing incentives or punish choices. Or, you may feel that tax policy is one of the best ways for government to create incentives that shape how people save, invest or plan for retirement.

Historically, mortgage interest deductibility has been a tax incentive that promotes home ownership as part of the American Dream. It is the basis of housing affordability nationwide. The mere threat of curtailing mortgage interest deductibility could seriously erode home values.

As for capital gains, don't hold your breath for a return to the old type of capital gains treatment. But, there will be a small differen-

tial if they keep it at the 28 percent rate versus the higher bracket of 36 percent (that's on joint returns with over \$140,000 taxable income, \$115,000 for a single taxpayer).

Some folks oppose capital gains (taxing the appreciation on property), saying it only helps the rich. But there are plenty of older people who can't buy a cheaper home or sell their small income property because their nest egg would take too big a hit, so they stay frozen in place.

We can show that millions of dollars could be collected by the U.S. Treasury from sales of properties that are not being sold at all because the tax bite is too high.

And, after years of opposing the annual sunset of the Mortgage Credit Certificate, Mortgage Revenue Bond, and Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, all three programs have been renewed and finally made permanent in Presi-

dent Clinton's plan. This will eliminate the uncertainty that's made it almost impossible for communities, agencies, buyers and developers to plan to meet housing needs.

There were also fears that there would be big changes in estate taxes and in the marital exemption. But the only change was that the federal tax rate will go back to 55 percent and will not be lowered to 53 percent.

For investors, the period over which you must depreciate non-residential properties was extended from 31-and-a-half years to 36 years, not the 40-year life that was anticipated. Although there were attempts to severely restrict tax-deferred exchanges in the last two years, there are restrictions proposed in the current plan.

Deborah Richey is owner of Richey Real Estate & Investments in Berkeley.

The costs behind the cost of your home

By Gary Hamby
Special to Hills Newspapers

There's more to a new home than meets the eye — and the pocketbook.

Long before you begin the search for the home of your dreams, dozens of public agencies, private firms, community groups and individuals will have made decisions that will influence the cost of your home.

There are fees, for example, as well as zoning, traffic mitigation, parks, environmental impact reports, sewer and water connections and inspections. There's also a construction tax.

In addition, local agencies may pass special assessments to pay for schools, roads and parks. Or, local zoning ordinances may require single family lots to be a minimum of 6,000 square feet. With recent residential values estimated at about \$1 million per acre or \$23 per square foot, a 6,000-square foot lot would cost about \$138,000.

Another local ordinance may require that you have sprinklers in your home in case of fire. That adds \$6,000.

A recent study by Professional Builder magazine determined that nine out of 10 U.S. cities with the

highest developer fees are in California. At the top: San Jose, with such fees adding \$30,000 to \$80,000 per housing unit.

Developers fees are not new. As long ago as the 1920s, some towns began collecting "developer contributions." But they were nothing compared to developer fees assessed following the 1978 passage of Proposition 13, the property tax limitation initiative.

Suddenly, revenue-starved cities no longer could annually reassess real property (residential, commercial, industrial) to generate money to pay for public facilities and services. So they increasingly turned to the only source they could: new development.

Typically, fees, taxes and special assessments are applied to new homes with the argument that they are necessary to offset the costs associated with the required design standards of the community or the cost necessary to extend the necessary services.

Implicit in this argument is that the new homes will benefit directly, and should therefore bear the cost.

Gary Hamby is president and chief executive officer of the Building Industry Association of Northern California.

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Avoid these mistakes and speed the sale of your home

Sellers can affect price, condition, showings and reports



Real Estate Forum

DIAN HYMER

First of a two-part series

Why is it that some homes sell quickly and for close to the asking price, while others languish on the market without a nibble? External factors, such as current market conditions, do influence how fast a house sells and how much it sells for.

But homeowners can also have an effect on the salability of their home by avoiding pitfalls other sellers have stumbled into. Here are 10 mistakes to avoid in order to maximize success when you sell.

Mistake #1

Pricing your house based on unrealistic expectations. This is perhaps the biggest and most common mistake sellers make. Sellers who buy a replacement house before selling are inclined to set the list price of the home they need to sell based on the price they're paying for the new house.

This price may or may not be in line with market value. A buyer, however, will only pay fair market value for the house and not a penny more. Buyers certainly

won't pay more than market value just because the seller needs a higher price to close another escrow.

It's easy to fall into the trap of pricing your home for sale according to what your neighbor is asking for his home. But if your neighbor's house is priced too high for the market and it isn't selling for that reason, you'll be priced too high if you use your neighbor's price as a benchmark.

larily in a buyer's market, such as we are in today, it's important to be competitive in your pricing and accessibility. Agents who have a lot of houses to show will show those that are easiest to show.

Mistake #3

Failing to order recommended reports at the time the home is listed. It's common for the seller to have a Wood Destroying Pests and Organisms inspection report

private experts look at the house and issue a report so that you can address a buyer's concerns with factual information.

Mistake #4

Refusing to put any money into the house before it's marketed. What kind of impression would you make on a job interview if you looked like a slob? With so many qualified people looking for work, you probably wouldn't be asked back for a second interview.

The same principal applies to selling houses. Buyers have a lot of homes to look at and first impressions are lasting ones. If your house doesn't stand out from the rest of the homes for sale the first time buyers come through, you can be sure it'll be the last time they'll come through.

Follow this five-step plan to get your house ready to market: 1.) Remove the clutter; 2.) Fix what's broken and update what's outmoded; 3.) Depersonalize (For example, put away your 30-year old stuffed animal collection and the toothpaste tube on the bathroom sinktop); 4.) Clean thoroughly; 5.) Set the stage (rearrange furniture to show your house off to advantage, add fresh flowers, open the drapes and turn on the lights).

Mistake #5

Being present during showings. Ideally a house should be shown to

a prospective buyer when the sellers are not at home. In order for buyers to decide they want to buy a home, they need to pick the house apart and discuss everything they don't like about it with their agent.

Buyers usually won't say anything negative about a house when the sellers are home for fear of offending them. When it's absolutely impossible to leave during a

showing, make yourself scarce. The worst thing you can do is follow the buyers around or show the house to them self.

Next week: Part two mon mistakes sellers make. Dian Hymer is a broker with Coldwell Banker and author of "How to Sell a Home in a Niche." (Chronicle Books)

The only realistic way to establish a list price is based on current market value

The only realistic way to establish a list price for your home is to base your decision on current market value, which is the price that a ready, willing and able buyer will pay. A current market evaluation is determined by analyzing sale statistics of properties similar to yours that have sold and closed escrow within the past few months.

(also called a "termite report") done at the time the home is listed for sale.

Buyers like to see a "termite report" before they make an offer to purchase. If the seller has a report at the time an offer is made, the seller is able to negotiate a firm price for the house without having to make acceptance of an offer conditioned upon receiving a termite report.

Usually sellers pay to correct "termite" damage when they sell. It's impossible to know what the seller's net price will be without a report.

Usually a "termite" report is all you need when you put your house on the market. But if your house has an obvious defect, such as a bad roof or a foundation problem, you'd be wise to have the appro-

Mistake #2

Setting up a complicated showing procedure. One very inconvenient aspect of selling a home is that you must agree to let total strangers come in, virtually whenever they want to, to take a look. It's natural to feel that this is an invasion of your privacy — it is.

But it's a necessary part of selling a house. Setting up a showing procedure that's easy for the agents will result in more showings and a quicker sale. Particu-

People

Jerilynn Babington joins Grubb & Ellis in Orinda

Jerilynn Babington of Piedmont recently joined the staff of Grubb & Ellis Residential Brokerage Services in Orinda. She was with Pointe Realty in Montclair for eight years.

Babington will continue to represent clients and properties in the Oakland Hills.

In addition to sales, Babington has built custom homes and has consulted on a number of interior design projects.

She is a member of the Northern California Power Players Group, a marketing think tank comprised of the top 1 percent of residential real estate agents in the Lamorinda area that meet monthly to share ideas.



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Tips to help first-time buyers prepare

Gracie Ryan
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Your first home is most likely the largest and most important investment you have ever made. Our

sales agents enjoy working with plenty of first-time homebuyers and they offer tips to make the financing and selection of your new home much easier.

Getting prepared for the purchase can be a financial challenge

if you are used to spending as much or more than you make. Start increasing your savings now and avoid over-extending your credit by paying for everything at the time of purchase, or pay all credit card statements in full every month.

Avoid temptation. As your savings grow, so will your temptation to spend. Look forward to the long-term benefit of home ownership and avoid the short-term temptation of a new car, jewelry or television. You'll be glad you did.

Call a lender and get pre-qualified for a loan. Knowing your proper price range makes shopping for a new home easier and more productive. As indicated in the first-time financing checklist, qualifying for a loan can sometimes be cumbersome, but be cooperative — your lender wants to work with you. It is in their best interest to provide home loans to qualified, responsible borrowers.

When you begin looking at homes, take along this home features checklist. It covers those things that are most important to first-time homebuyers.

A little planning goes a long way when planning your first real

estate acquisition. Heed the advice of the experts: Keep your finances in order and have a great time finding your new home.

FIRST-TIME FINANCING CHECKLIST

1. **Tax returns** - The lender may want to see up to three years of W-2 forms and tax returns. Keep them handy.
2. **Pay stubs** - Keep at least two months of your most recent pay stubs.
3. **Liquid and other assets** - Prepare a summary of liquid assets and include two months of statements from savings accounts, checking accounts, stocks and bonds, life insurance policies with cash values and other assets such as cars, furniture and jewelry.
4. **Source of down payment** - Where will you get the money for the down payment on your new home?
5. **Income sources** - Remember all sources of income including regular pay, overtime, bonuses and commissions.
6. **Liabilities** - Prepare a summary of all outstanding loans and credit card accounts with current balances and monthly payments.

Building a custom home can be an enjoyable adventure

Building a custom home isn't easy. But that doesn't mean the process that takes the prospective owner from dream to floor plan to construction to moving in can't be an enjoyable and creative adventure.

Careful planning, common sense and determination in working together with the custom home dealer, builder and work crews are the key to unlocking the door separating the dream from reality.

One of the leading manufacturers of packaged, custom homes offers the following advice for anyone planning to build a packaged, custom home:

- To assist the dealer, list the things you like and dislike in your home or in those of friends, neighbors and relatives.

- Consider the floor plan; does the kitchen flow into the dining room and living room?; are the bedrooms all in the same area in the back of the house away from street noises?

- Analyze your lifestyle. Do you entertain informally in the kitchen or family room? More formally in the dining room or living room? Do you entertain outdoors in good weather? Will that

necessitate a patio, deck or sunroom?

- When meeting with the custom home dealer, bring photos of architectural styles you like along with interior layouts you admire.

Analyze your lifestyle: Do you entertain formally or informally?

This will give both of you some ideas of where you start.

When going over floor plans, remember you are looking at a drawing that is scaled to size. It's difficult to look at a two-dimensional drawing and envision it in three dimensions. Be sure to discuss with the dealer what all those symbols mean on a floor plan.

- Develop your sense of style, depth and dimension by making a scaled-to-size floor plan of your current address. By comparing it with a real surroundings, you'll gain insight into the difference between a floor plan and an actual layout.

- Don't overlook the plot on which the house will be built. The dealer can be a great help in showing which styles of architecture go best with flat, sloping or hilly terrain.

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Getting ready to sell? 'Stage' your home for quick results

Try to look at your home through the eyes of prospective buyer

By Steve Miller
Hills Newspapers

You're getting ready to sell your home. You know it's a buyer's market, so you've lined up the best agent you can find to assist you with pricing and marketing.

You ask yourself, "What else can I do to set my home off from the others in the neighborhood? What do I need to do to give myself that extra edge?"

Agent Sherry Benninger of Coldwell Banker in Montclair believes there's plenty the seller can — and should — do to "stage"

the home for selling.

There are two basic points that influence the quick sale of property, Benninger says — general and specific. Under the "general" category are facts such as competition, market conditions and location of the house. Homeowners cannot alter these.

But owners can affect the "specific" factors: list price, agent and condition of the home.

There's but one opportunity to make a first impression, and it has to be as favorable as possible, Benninger says. "Look at your home through the eyes of the buyer."

The first part of the house that a potential buyer will see is the outside. Make sure the front yard is "clutter-free and looks cared for," Benninger says.

sions, you're selling your home," says Benninger. The buyer, she says, has to be able to imagine their belongings in the home.

"Create space for the buyer to

"Create space for the buyer to mentally move in..."

When it comes to the rooms, less is better, she says. Leave one or two pieces of furniture in the living room, and pack everything else up and out. The same is true of plants. Leave a few great-looking plants and get the rest out.

Mantles, table tops and counter space should be free of clutter. "You're not selling your posses-

mentally move in."

Rooms should be free of any offensive odors and well lit. Drapes should be open and lights turned on.

The following checklist was prepared by Coldwell Banker for their clients:

Checklist for sellers

1. Keep the house ready for showing during reasonable hours. Most of your showings will be during business hours. Occasionally, you will get a request from someone to see the house in the evening, but this will not happen often.
2. When the agent calls to make an appointment, be prepared to

show your home with a minimum of notice, and make him feel you are happy to have him and his prospects.

3. Turn on all the lights, open the drapes. A well-lit house looks more attractive than one that is dark. Even in the middle of the day, colors are centered better and the whole

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Move-in condition! 3BD/1+BA, updated kitchen, large secluded patio, formal dining, plus bedroom downstairs is ideal for guests or teenager. Kathy Flynn
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Price reduced! 3BD/2BA, eat-in kitchen, formal dining, fresh paint throughout, low maintenance yard, rear patio with bay view, 2-car garage. Chuck Convi
- CHARMING SPANISH STYLE \$230,000
New listing! Beautifully maintained! 2BD/2BA, gourmet kitchen, formal dining, family room, superb garden, attached 2-car garage. Lindsey Murray / Melanie
- NESTLED IN THE TREES \$230,000
Beautifully maintained Montclair home. 2BD/2BA, office, skylights, beam ceilings, French doors, lovely gardens in a private, wooded setting. Bonnie
- LOVELY MONTCLAIR HILLS HOME \$230,000
Price reduced! Well maintained home with excellent floor plan. 3BD/2BA, master suite, updated kitchen, private deck and patio, garage. Roselle Woods
- EIGHT YEAR OLD CONTEMPORARY \$200,000
Spacious family home on cul-de-sac. 4BD/2BA, rumpus, family room, dual living areas, expansion potential in basement. Motivated seller! Charlene Clayburn
- FIXER OPPORTUNITY \$150,000
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Convenient Rockridge location, near shops! 2BD/1BA, hardwood floors, open kitchen, extra storage space, partial basement and detached garage. Don

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more inviting if it is well lit. If you have a music system, put something soft and low. This is in new model homes. Most homes and shops use music to enhance buying, too.

Leave the showing of the property to the agent. The agent is professional. He knows which features will be appealing to his clients. Try to avoid unnecessary conversation with them.

convenient, it is well advised to have the children and dog and go for a walk while the house is being

shown. You know from your own experience that you feel more free to inspect someone else's home if they are away.

If they ask questions about the house, of course you may answer them. The important thing here is to avoid conversation that may lead them to believe that you are anxious about the sale of the property.

6. If it's winter and you have a fireplace, it's nice to have a fire burning.

7. Anything you can do to make the house more inviting should be done. If anyone wants to see the property who is not a Realtor, or who has not made an appointment,

give them your agent's card and tell them to call the agent.

The one exception is the occasional spontaneous request by an agent showing property in the neighborhood. The buyer may see the sign and ask the agent to show him the house. It is up to you to decide if it is convenient on such short notice.

Tips for selling

1. First impressions are lasting. Is the lawn groomed and neatly trimmed? Is the yard free of debris? Are fences in good condition, gates operating properly? Do any shrubs need replacing? Is the

front door free of smudges and fingerprints? Does the house need paint? How about a few colorful annuals? Are the windows clean?

2. Decorate for a quick sale. Are the walls and woodwork fresh and bright? Should the color scheme be more neutral? Most buyers find light-colored walls appealing. Can the sun shine in? Open drapes and curtains. Let the buyer see how cheerful your home can be.

3. Repairs can make a difference. Fix leaky faucets, sticking doors and windows, warped cabinet drawers and doors. Fix holes in screen doors and window screens, or remove them completely.

4. Make the interior look bigger. Remove clutter from all rooms including closets. Neat, well-organized interiors look the largest.

5. Bathrooms help sell homes. Make this room sparkle. Invest in new shower curtains, towels and mats in beautiful colors. Check and repair caulking in bathtubs and showers. Replace lightbulbs.

6. Arrange bedrooms neatly. Use attractive bedspreads and keep the beds neatly made. Remove excess furniture, books and magazines. Keep all shoes and clothing in closets.

7. Kitchens (buyers are super critical). Keep work space clear

and uncluttered. This always makes the area look larger. Stove, refrigerator and sink should all be spotless.

8. Avoid last-minute surprises. If your home hasn't had a recent structural pest control inspection, it is wise to order one at the time of the listing. A homeowner can often correct some problems himself at a much lower cost than that which is quoted.

In addition, having the termite report prior to the sale allows you to have the opportunity to clear the work or at least to negotiate the sale in a stronger position.

Your Weekend Guide to Open Home Listings

289 Crestmont Dr. Help-U-Sell 482-8100	Crestmont	3bd/2½ Family Rm	\$299,000
5638 Thornhill Dr. Pacific Union, Kathy Flynn 339-6460	Montclair	4bd/3ba	\$299,000
7800 Surrey Lane Better Homes, Rosemary Greene 339-4000	Sequoyah	4bd/3ba	\$299,000
3700 Balfour Better Homes, Dell M. Orr 339-8559	Crocker Highlands	3bd/ Potential	\$298,000
7033 Thornhill Rd. The GRUBB Co., Marilyn Watson 339-0400	New Listing!	3+bd/1½ 1stOpen	\$297,500
4230 St. Andrews Better Homes, Jennie Lippincott 339-4000	Sequoyah Hills	2+bd/1ba 1/3acre	\$295,000
5522 Carlton St. Pacific Union, Howard Rodkin 339-6460	Rockridge	2bd/1ba	\$295,000
127 Mandalay Mason-McDuffie, A. Ng 339-9290	Rockridge	2bd/1ba Charming	\$289,000
5945 Keith Ave. Prudential California Realty, Ronald Creighton 729-2338	Rockridge	3bd/1+ba	\$287,800
2829 Burton Coldwell Banker, Katherine Cooper 339-1174	Modern Log Cabin	3bd, Level lot	\$285,000
4526 Reinhardt Pacific Union, Wendy Gardner 339-6460	Redwood Heights	3bd/1+ba	\$285,000
26 Abbott Drive Coldwell Banker, Terry Kulka 339-1174	Montclair	2+bd/1½ba Cutie	\$280,000
6040 Valley View Pacific Union, Dee Dee Bonham 339-6460	Montclair	3bd/1+ba	\$279,000
1021 Norwood Ave. Coldwell Banker, Michael Thompson 339-1174	Crocker Highlands	2bd Just Listed!	\$279,000
4500 Clarewood Dr. The GRUBB Co., Josephine O'Shaughnessy 339-0400	Upgraded Twnhse	3bd/2½ Creekside	\$279,000
4101 Lyman Mason-McDuffie, H. Converse 339-8888	Oakmore	3+bd/2b Rehab	\$279,000
460 Creighton Way Coldwell Banker, Sherry Benninger 339-1174	Crestmont Charm	3bd/2ba Hot Tub	\$269,000
59 Sereno Circle Wells & Bennett, Wendy Callaghan 339-9197	Redwood Hills	2bd/2b New Listing	\$267,000
3397 Jordan Mason-McDuffie, E. Marshall 339-9290	Redwood Heights	3bd/2ba	\$267,000
581 58th Dimond Winters Realty 530-8860, Emelda Rideau 849-4210	Idora Park	3bd/1½ba	\$265,000
417 62nd St. The Templeton Co. 652-2133, Melitta Beeson 420-1636	Traditional	2bd/1b Bungalow	\$264,000
4019 La Cresta Better Homes, Carol Cohen 531-4218	Glenview Trad.	3bd/ Private	\$260,000
3821 Wisconsin Better Homes, Dawn Ellis 339-4000	Redwood	3+bd/2b Workshop	\$259,900
4337 Anderson Grubb & Ellis, Phyllis Anderson 339-8666	Redwood Heights	3bd	\$259,500
5687 Merriford Better Homes, Helen Nicholas 531-7134	Montclair Cottage	Sunny, WoodStove	\$259,000
368 Jean St. Pacific Union, Melanie Powers 339-6460	Grand Lake	2+bd/1+ba	\$259,000
6217 Merriford Dr. Pacific Union, Suzanne Linford 339-6460	Montclair	2bd/1bd	\$255,000
583 Montclair Ave. Coldwell Banker, Donna DeBardi 339-1174	China Hill	4bd/2½ba Rumpus	\$255,000
4121 Oak Hill Road Nakamura 848-2724, Dennis Long 667-1591	Price Reduced!	Canyon View	\$249,500
5930 Balboa Drive Pacific Union, Chuck Corwin 339-6460	Montclair	2bd/1ba	\$249,000
5340 Broadway Ter.#309 Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, D. Costella 658-6264	Rockridge	2bd/2ba Elegant	\$249,000
3251 Wisconsin St. The GRUBB Co., Cheryl Knickerbocker 339-0400	Mediterranean	Charming Starter	\$242,500
7944 Sunlink Dimond Winters Realty 530-8860, Terry 444-2280	Oakland Hills	3bd/2ba	\$239,000
6348 Heather Ridge Way Gadsby & Associates, Laquida Gray 891-0856	Montclair	2bd, Upslope	\$239,000
6950 Sayre Drive Pacific Union, Kirk Phillips 339-6460	Montclair	3bd/2ba	\$239,000
3931 Everett Ave. Pacific Union, Martha Holstlaw 339-6460	Glenview	4bd/2ba	\$239,000
4518 Mattis Ct. Pacific Union, Chet Gohd 339-6460	Redwood Heights	3bd/2+ba	\$239,000
5104 Shafter Nakamura 848-2724, Kathy 633-8870	Temescal	2bd Charm!	\$239,000
109 Mountain Valley Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-6460	Sequoyah Heights	3bd/2ba	\$235,000
4101 Barner Ave. Coldwell Banker, Jack Brennenman 339-1174	Lincoln Heights	2bd/1ba Bay View	\$234,000
1392 Holman Dimond Winters Realty 530-8860, Terry 444-2280	Crocker	2bd/1½ba	\$229,000
446 66th St. Coldwell Banker, 339-1174	Oakland	3bd/2ba	\$227,000
3875 Loma Vista Mason-McDuffie, G. Millirons 339-9290	Charming Home	2+bd/1½ba	\$225,000
3225 Wisconsin Grubb & Ellis, Rachel Baller 339-8666	Laurel	2bd/1ba	\$224,000
132 Frisbie Pacific Union, Tom Anthony 339-6460	Piedmont Ave.	3bd/1ba	\$219,000
135 Ironwood Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-6460	Sequoyah Heights	3bd/2+ba	\$216,500
3740 Harbor View Wells & Bennett, Sandi Klemmer 654-4804	Redwood Heights	Cute Bungalow	\$215,000
3275 Arizona Wells & Bennett, Nancy Novick 482-2392	Laurel Starter	2bd Immaculate	\$214,500
384 44th St. Coldwell Banker, Linda Van Drent 339-1174	Temescal Trad.	3bd/1 FencedYard	\$210,000
4303 Pampas Street Pacific Union, Tom Anthony 339-6460	Laurel	2bd/1ba	\$209,000
5335 Broadway Ter. The GRUBB Co., Elizabeth Dickson 339-0400	Condo	2bd/2ba	\$205,000

2433 Rampart WBJ & Associates, Anna Wilson 895-5141	Lincoln Heights	2bd/1b Remodeled	\$204,950
3659 Laurel Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, C. Boze 530-3303	Laurel	2bd/1½ Family Rm	\$195,000
1555 Lakeside #190 Wells & Bennett, Dick Cohen 339-1117	Lake Merritt	Formal Dining	\$187,000
3815 Wisconsin Better Homes, Dawn Ellis 339-4000	Redwood	2+bd/1+ba Must Sell	\$180,000
561 62nd St. Gadsby & Associates, Stan Hammond 839-5846	Oakland	2+bd Fireplace	\$179,000
3760 39th Ave. Wells & Bennett, Frank Hennefer 654-6461	Laurel Townhomes	New 2/2 2 Story	\$175,000+
1555 Lakeside #91 Wells & Bennett, Dick Cohen 339-1117	Split Level	2bd/2ba Balcony	\$175,000
3051 Modesto Red Oak Realty, Susan Reese 527-3387	Oakland	3bd/2ba	\$175,000
2924 Maxwell Ave. Better Homes, Maria Sinclair 339-4000	Maxwell Park	3bd/1ba	\$169,500
2718 Pleasant St. Nakamura 848-2724, Junko 568-5747	Lower Dimond	2bd Large Lot	\$165,000
8024 Earl Wells & Bennett, Marianne Jamison 655-9615	Hillside Location	2bd/1ba Charm	\$159,000
2164 Ransom Wells & Bennett, Michael/Judy 530-4166	Maxwell Park	Move-In Reduced!	\$154,000
3536 Gray Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, D. Moore 869-4235	Oakland	3bd/1ba Cozy	\$135,000
3856 Maybelle Ave. Nakamura 848-2724, Dennis Long 667-1591	Townhouse	2bd/2ba	\$127,500
1 Kelton Ct. #5J Nakamura 848-2724, Terry 893-4539	Location!	Security, View	\$105,000

ALBANY Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm			
662 Key Route Blvd. Acorn Realty 886-3727, Daniel Smith 886-0641	Albany	3bd/1½ba	\$295,000
1503 Beverly Place Nakamura 848-2724, Loren Thompson 548-1260	Location!	2+bd GreatPrice!	\$190,000

ALAMEDA Open Saturday and Sunday 2-4 pm			
29 Wellfleet Harbor Bay Realty, Tammy 522-1227	One Level	3bd/2ba Atrium	\$359,900

BERKELEY Open Sunday			
1 Roble Road The GRUBB Co., Sandra Vogl 339-0400	Best Buy!	Contemporary	\$469,000
1221 Grizzly Peak Red Oak Realty, Nancy Lee Noman 527-3387	Berkeley	4bd/3ba	\$445,000
1055 Cragmont Coldwell Banker, Jan Neff 339-1174	Traditional	3bd/2+ba Deck	\$439,000
2319 Woolsey St. Pacific Union, Rich Gould 339-6460	Berkeley	Duplex	\$317,000
158 Panoramic Nakamura 848-2724, Ted Tagami 649-9006	1/2 Ownership	2bd Pano View	\$255,000
913 Channing Way Nakamura 848-2724, Steven Malaki 527-2839	In-law Possible	2bd/2ba Spacious	\$168,000
1126 Derby St. Nakamura 848-2724, Keith 287-9468	Perfect Condition	1bd Cottage	\$124,500

EL CERRITO Open Sunday			
7530 Terrace Dr. Red Oak Realty, 527-3387	El Cerrito	2bd/1ba	\$279,000
2025 Tapscott Red Oak Realty, Marsha Quick 527-3387	El Cerrito	2bd/2ba	\$249,500
1250 Norvell Better Homes 525-2727	Large Lot	2bd/1ba	\$234,000

PIEDMONT Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm			
87 Sea View Ave. Pacific Union, Helen Danhaki 547-5750	Piedmont	5+bd/5ba	\$2,250,000
101 Huntleigh Rd. The GRUBB Co., Angela Wei Grubb 339-0400	Landscape ½acre	Contemporary	\$1,290,000
340 LaSalle Ave. The GRUBB Co., Jean Simmons 339-0400	Mediterranean	5bd/3ba Classic	\$1,200,000
144 Woodland Way The GRUBB Co., Sally Morrison 339-0400	Classic Colonial	4bd Spacious	\$885,000

36 Crest Road Pacific Union, Georgia Cornell 339-6460	Piedmont	4bd/3+ba	\$859,000
187 St. James Dr. Wells & Bennett, Lisa Weil 531-1653	Spacious Home	5bd/3ba 2 Decks	\$599,000
172 Mountain Ave. The GRUBB Co., Elizabeth Dickson 339-0400	Traditional	4bd/2½ Playroom	\$569,000
328 Olive Ave. Better Homes, Lyn Murray 339-6666	Prairie-Style	3+ba Huge Rooms	\$429,000
30 Maxwellton Mason-McDuffie, R. Marshall 339-9290	Piedmont	5bd/3ba Value!	\$419,500
67 Prospect Road Pacific Union, Connie Rogers 339-6460	Piedmont	3bd/1ba	\$379,000
1409 Grand Wells & Bennett, Lee Jacobson 654-5161	Remodeled!	3bd/2 Custom Kit	\$345,000
22 Fairview Ave. The GRUBB Co., Karen Starr 339-0400	Perfect Starter	2bd + Den	\$339,000

RICHMOND Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm			
3420 Clinton Mason-McDuffie, H. Schmitt 339-9290	Richmond	3bd/2ba	\$190,000
611 37th St. Better Homes, Tony Bongiovanni 339-4000	Richmond N&E	2bd/1b Lg.Yard	\$145,000

SAN LEANDRO Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm			
520 East Merle Ct. Better Homes, Morrie Feigenberg 339-4000	San Leandro	2bd/1ba Starter	\$189,000



Jacket girls

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Bullock made 11 saves in the game, two of them exceptional.

"I was happy despite the score," said Kletz. "I was happy with the season."

Berkeley was one of two teams from the BVAL to make the NCS playoffs, the other being undefeated league champion Carondelet. The Yellowjackets were given the No. 14 seed and Mission was No. 3. Of the top two teams, No. 1 Monte Vista and No. 2 Foothill received byes in the first round, so the Yellowjackets had the hardest matchup of any team in that round.

Berkeley finished the season at 8-6-2 overall and all the preseason matches were played against top 5 teams. The Yellowjackets are coming back nearly intact with only three seniors leaving.

Seniors Rhine and Megan Stelmach are graduating and may be playing out east in the fall. Rhine is looking at Brown University in Rhode Island and Stelmach at Yale in Connecticut, but Kletz, a former Harvard player, is checking into her alma mater for her two players.

"I give recommendations as their

coach," said Kletz. "Both are waiting to hear from Harvard. It's really nice because I'm close to the college scene. I feel confident when I recommend someone."

Aine Coughlan, the other Berkeley senior player, missed the playoffs because of illness and her starting outside fullback position will have to be filled.

The Yellowjackets have 15 returning players, including nine freshmen and four sophomores. They may be playing on an Astroturf-type field next season. The field at Berkeley is not even and the grass is almost non-existent because it is used by so many teams at the school. Kletz said she does not like Astroturf, but the playoffs were on that surface and her team was not accustomed to playing on that kind of surface.

"The conditions were unknown to us," said Kletz. "We had never played on Astroturf. We practice there Tuesday, but it was raining and the ball was slow. On Astroturf the game is a lot quicker. The other team was making the same kind of mistakes."

Hoops

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4) takes on Logan (16-11), while Berkeley's BVAL cousin Pittsburg (17-10) faces Liberty (19-9).

A Berkeley victory on Wednesday would put the Yellowjackets in the semifinals on Friday against the Monte Vista-Logan winner, while Montgomery would face the Pittsburg-Liberty winner in the other bracket.

The finals are Saturday, but the place and time of the last two rounds were yet to be determined as of Tuesday.

The two finalists automatically get into the NorCal tournament next week, according to a new state rule. Berkeley needs only to win two games this week to make it to NorCal, but the goal for the Yellowjackets is to win North Coast for the fourth consecutive year.

"That's our goal, to win North Coast," said Nakamura. "We want to make it four straight. It's something of a statement about our program developing players."

The Yellowjackets enter the playoffs healthy after suffering a

variety of injuries throughout the regular season. The only player out at the beginning of the week was Tasha Henneman, who though she injured her foot until she found out it was a problem with her basketball shoes. A new set of sneakers fixed the problem and Henneman is back this week and feeling good.

The time off was good for Berkeley. It gave Nakamura and his team of coaches time to work on the finer points of the game without the interruption of playing.

"We've been practicing hard," said Nakamura. "We're fine tuning."

Last year the team went through the same motions and had some close games to win the section. This year Berkeley is hoping the rest would make them strong and the extra game will help get the team ready for the big time to get back to the state finals. The Yellowjackets are betting that a resting No. 1 spot is not as good as a hungry No. 2 position in the race for the state title.

O'Dowd

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ceived the No. 5 seed next to St. Mary's. Having played their last game Feb. 19 in a win against El Cerrito, the Yellowjackets were just waiting to see what happened in the other leagues.

Berkeley head coach Jesse Gossett and his team attended the ESAL championship and watched the two teams the Yellowjackets would play in the first two rounds of the NCS playoffs.

"We match up well with them I feel," said Berkeley head coach Jesse Gossett of St. Mary's. "We just have to play good defense and take it from them. They're a good ball club."

Gossett watched O'Dowd take it to St. Mary's in the ESAL league finals, but he wasn't looking past the Panthers and the Berkeley coach hopes his team doesn't either.

"We had primarily our team down there," said Gossett. "We got a good chance to scout both teams. I know what we're like when we don't play well. The kids (from Berkeley and St. Mary's) know each other pretty well. We're not taking each other lightly."

St. Mary's had a rough time in the ESAL finals against O'Dowd. Playing without senior guard Yusef Moore-Mobley, who is out for the

season with a knee injury, the Panthers lost some timing, outside shooting and leadership and that hurt.

The Dragons ran out to a 17-8 lead in the first quarter, then extended the lead in the second quarter on the hot shooting of guard Brian Hynes, who hit two three-pointers, went 4-for-4 from the line and scored 12 second-quarter points. O'Dowd had a 36-19 lead at halftime.

Panther senior John Page kept St. Mary's in the game in the third quarter, hitting a pair of three-pointers among his 10 points in the quarter. Panther senior Billy Chavrin dished a pass to junior Justin Howell with 54 seconds left to cut the lead to 14, but Hynes got a long pass and hit a shot at the buzzer making it 51-35. The two points didn't matter as much as the inspirational lift it gave the Dragons.

The Panthers were limited to five points in the fourth quarter, with Matt McShane's basket off a rebound at the six-minute mark the solo field goal for St. Mary's.

Page finished with 19 points, while McShane, Abby Hussein and Chavrin combined for 12 on only four points apiece. Hynes led all scorers with 20 points. Jamie Rachal scored 12 and Dana Barfield added 10 for the Dragons.

Jacket win

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had to watch from the bench, who left the gym from their last high school basketball game and for a long bus ride home.

"We played hard, you just have to have that extra player," said St. Mary's head coach Restelli Brown. "Yusef, you just can't make up for a guy like that. He led us in assists and stability. You've got to give credit to those guys, they played hard."

Berkeley head coach Jesse Gossett was optimistic about playing O'Dowd after watching his team against St. Mary's.

"We are over the hump," said Gossett. "We're playing one of the top teams in the East Bay. I am just really thrilled to play O'Dowd."

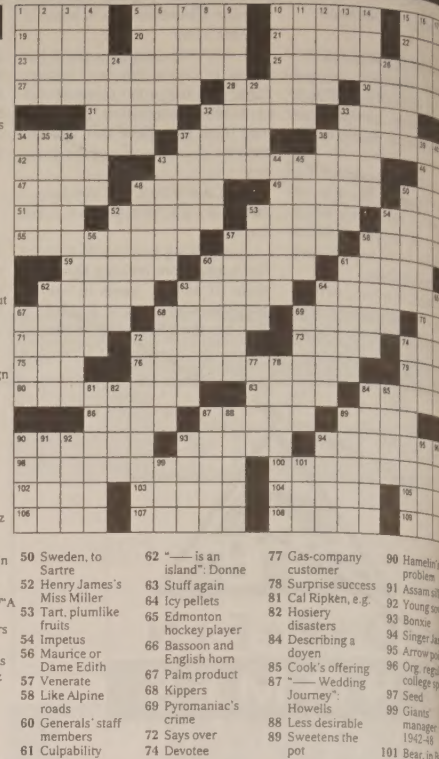
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New York Times Magazine Crossword Puzzle

WRITERS' GET TOGETHER

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Tackle</p> <p>5 Tulwar, e.g.</p> <p>10 Foodstuff from orchid tubers</p> <p>15 Dresden possessive</p> <p>19 Gaelic</p> <p>20 Chessman</p> <p>21 Angler's basket</p> <p>22 "Das Rheingold" contralto</p> <p>23 "Cakes and Ale"/"Hunger" authors</p> <p>25 "Sic et Non"/"Gullible's Travels" authors</p> <p>27 Streaks</p> <p>28 U.S. satellite</p> <p>30 Talked publicly</p> <p>31 Komatik, e.g.</p> <p>32 Underground figure</p> <p>33 Overwhelm</p> <p>34 Makes long, loose stitches</p> <p>37 Seat for S. D. O'Connor</p> <p>38 Bases for movie film</p> <p>42 Chinese horn, e.g.</p> <p>43 "She"/"Grendel" authors</p> <p>46 Miss or Bull precursor</p> <p>47 TV's "This Is Life"</p> | <p>48 Forfeit</p> <p>49 Actor from Crows, England</p> <p>50 Louver</p> <p>51 Pismire</p> <p>52 Mother of the Nereids</p> <p>53 Fine English china</p> <p>54 Performs a household task</p> <p>55 Drill</p> <p>57 Ecole denizen</p> <p>58 Minotaur's home</p> <p>59 Oust</p> <p>60 In unison</p> <p>61 Musical notation inventor</p> <p>62 Lake Malawi, once</p> <p>63 Baptism and marriage</p> <p>64 Young Washington was one</p> <p>67 Like fluff</p> <p>68 Yields</p> <p>69 Vibrant</p> <p>70 Never, to Kohl</p> <p>71 He follows Joel</p> <p>72 Wherewithal in Madras</p> <p>73 Depend (on)</p> <p>74 First code word</p> <p>75 — House, an O'Neill home</p> <p>76 "Colloquia"/"Fantasio" authors</p> <p>79 Action</p> <p>80 Approved</p> <p>83 Las Vegas opening</p> <p>84 The rest</p> <p>86 Furrows</p> | <p>87 Youngster from 10 to 12</p> <p>89 Plant in a Fugard title</p> <p>90 Mezzo-soprano Resnik</p> <p>93 Snipe's habitat</p> <p>94 Permanent</p> <p>98 "Orlando Furioso"/"Dracula" authors</p> <p>100 "Peter Rabbit"/"Phormio" authors</p> <p>102 — Eulenspiegel</p> <p>103 Ornamental cases</p> <p>104 — Park, Colo. town</p> <p>105 Island group containing Attu</p> <p>106 Cloy</p> <p>107 Take a long look</p> <p>108 Facelious tribute</p> <p>109 Marlin, e.g.</p> | <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Minerals giving Idaho its nickname</p> <p>2 Part of Q. E. D.</p> <p>3 Assyrian war god</p> <p>4 Social or cash follower</p> <p>5 Heavy rainstorms</p> <p>6 Emulated Annie Oakley</p> <p>7 Gershwin heroine</p> <p>8 Old French coin</p> <p>9 Landlord's activity</p> <p>10 Intimide</p> <p>11 Lattice-work bower</p> <p>12 Sordor</p> <p>13 One of the Apodes</p> <p>14 Nursery vessels</p> <p>15 Site of Mohammed's tomb</p> <p>16 Airborne fish eaters</p> <p>17 Concept for Camus</p> <p>18 Aromatic ointment</p> <p>19 Harry's companion</p> <p>20 Rummage about</p> <p>21 Quechua speaker</p> <p>22 Medieval necromancers</p> <p>23 Mielziner design</p> <p>24 Member of the old Russian aristocracy</p> <p>25 Have — to pick</p> <p>26 "Madoc"/"The English Traveller" authors</p> <p>27 Memorable jazz musician: 1904-84</p> <p>28 Moody's — in Hesitation</p> <p>29 "Resurrection"/"A Study of History" authors</p> <p>30 Givejoy to</p> <p>31 Tennis divisions</p> <p>32 Actor Buchholz</p> <p>33 Comes to maturity</p> <p>34 Herd</p> <p>35 Creator of Bernarda Alba</p> |
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